



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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*Dear President,*

*The Commission would like to thank the Senate of the Czech Republic for its opinion on the Communication on the scrutiny of Europol's activities by the European Parliament, together with national Parliaments {COM(2010) 776 final} and takes good note of the comments expressed. Let me first apologise for the delay in responding to your opinion.*

*In this spirit, the Commission also takes note of the opinion expressed by the Senate that a new forum is not considered desirable and that it would be preferable to build on existing inter-parliamentary mechanisms.*

*Based on the input from other national Assemblies, as well as contributions from other institutional stakeholders, the Commission will formulate concrete proposals to put in place mechanisms for the parliamentary scrutiny of Europol.*

*I am looking forward to further develop our political dialogue.*

*Yours faithfully,*

*Maroš Šefčovič  
Vice-President*

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of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
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