

PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC Chamber of Deputies Jan Bauer Chairman Committee for European Affairs

Prague, 8th February 2012

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Dear Mr. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee for European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council estabilishing the Connecting Europe Facility /Council No. 16176/11, COM(2011) 665/.

The respective document was included in the agenda of the 25th session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 19th January 2012. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Chamber of Deputies a Deputy Minister of Finance, a Deputy Minister of Transport, a Deputy Ministr of Industry and Trade and a Secretary of State for European Affairs were present at the session to introduce the preliminary government's framework position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the resolution No. 185 which is enclosed to this letter. According to this resolution the Committee i. a. does not support the proposed transfer of € 10 billion from the Cohesion Fund to the new Connecting Europe Facility.

Enclosure

Mr. José Manuel Barroso President of the European Commission

Brussels

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Resolution No. 185

25th session on 19th January 2012

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council estabilishing the Connecting Europe Facility /Council No. 16176/11, COM(2011) 665/

Enclosure of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. welcomes the intention to support from EU sources the financing of infrastructure projects in Member States

2. believes, that that the main attention should be directed to the cohesion Member States and countries with less developed infrastructure

3. does not support the proposed transfer of € 10 billion from the Cohesion Fund to the new Connecting Europe Facility

4. asks the Government to inform about the further course of discussion of this proposal in the EU institutions