## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



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Mr Milan ŠTĚCH President of the Senát Valdštejnské naměstí 17/4 CZ – 118 01 PRAGUE 1

Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Senát for its Opinion on the Communication of the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on a European Agenda on Security {COM(2015) 185 final}.

The European Agenda on Security, adopted on 28 April 2015, defines the main actions envisaged by the Commission to ensure an effective EU response to security threats over the period 2015-2020. It represents the Commission's contribution to the Renewed Internal Security Strategy. The Commission believes that implementation of the renewed Strategy should be a shared endeavour between the Commission, the Council and the European Parliament.

The Commission takes note of the fact that the Senát supports the its proposed actions and that it concurs with the Commission that better information exchange, increased operational cooperation and support through training and funding are instrumental to address the security threats in the EU.

The Commission looks forward to continuing the political dialogue in the future with the Senát.

Yours faithfully,

Frans Timmermans First Vice-President Dimitris Avramopoulos Member of the Commission

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See JHA Council Conclusions of 16 June 2015 on the development of the Renewed European Union Internal Security Strategy 2015-2020.