



**PARLAMENT ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY**  
**Poslanecká sněmovna**  
**předseda výboru pro evropské záležitosti**  
**Mgr. Ondřej B e n e š í k**

Prague, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018

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 Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee - A balanced IP enforcement system responding to today's societal challenges /COM(2017)707, Council Code 15313/17/

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee - Guidance on certain aspects of Directive 2004/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the enforcement of intellectual property rights /COM(2017)708, Council Code 15314/17/ and

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee - Setting out the EU approach to Standard Essential Patents /COM(2017)712, Council Code 15315/17/.

The respective documents were included in the agenda of the 8<sup>th</sup> session of the Committee for European Affairs and were scrutinized on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Chamber of Deputies the Deputy Minister of Culture was 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. 44 which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

Enclosure

**Mr. Jean-Claude Juncker**  
President of the European Commission  
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**PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**  
**Chamber of Deputies**  
**Committee for European Affairs**

Resolution No. 44

8<sup>th</sup> Session on 14 March 2018

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**Conclusions of the Resolution:**

Committee for European Affairs

1. **takes into account** the Balanced Intellectual Property enforcement system responding to today's societal challenges;
2. **calls for support** of free license creation, with regard to the complications linked to the enforcement of intellectual property rights;
3. **takes into account** the Communication "Setting out the EU approach to Standard Essential Patents";
4. due to the importance for the development of the so-called "Internet of Things" and other modern industries, it **supports** the simplification of the licensing of existing SEP;
5. **calls for** using of open source software and hardware in the development of technical standards in order to avoid dependence on SEP;
6. **takes into account** the Communication "Guidancenote on certain aspects of Directive 2004/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the enforcement of intellectual property rights";
7. **warns** against the introduction of large, unspecific and expensive online content filtering systems;
8. **reminds** the rights granted by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, in particular the right to privacy, the right to the protection of personal data, the right to effective legal protection, the right to a fair trial, freedom of expression and freedom of enterprise;
9. **authorizes** the Chairman of the Committee for European Affairs to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission **in the context of the Political Dialogue.**