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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Poslanecká sněmovna for its Opinion on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - Energy Emergency - preparing, purchasing and protecting the EU together {COM(2022) 553 final} adopted on 18 October 2022.

As established in REPowerEU, it is of foremost importance to prepare the European Union not only for the current winter, but also for the next ones. The European Union has shown its unity, as solidarity is the cornerstone of our security of supply. The Communication aims at speeding up our common answer to the energy crisis by providing immediate relief, but also by laying the basis for more structural measures that will further strengthen the resilience and the efficiency of the energy Union

The Commission welcomes the favorable assessment of the Communication and the support expressed by the Poslanecká sněmovna. We especially appreciate that the Poslanecká sněmovna stresses the importance of acting in unity and solidarity and acknowledges that our immediate security of supply cannot be separated from our long-term energy and climate goals, which remain the compass of our action.

The Commission hopes that the clarifications provided in this reply address the issues raised by the Poslanecká sněmovna and looks forward to continuing the political dialogue with it in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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