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*cc Mr Radek VONDRÁČEK  
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*Dear Chair,*

*The Commission would like to thank the Poslanecká sněmovna for its Opinion on the Commission Recommendation (EU) 2019/534 of 26 March 2019 on the Cybersecurity of 5G networks.*

*The Commission recognises that the rapid and secure deployment of 5G network technologies is a major enabler for future digital services and a priority for the Digital Single Market strategy.*

*The Commission has taken immediate steps to help ensure a swift implementation of the Recommendation. The coordination process at EU level has been launched immediately after the adoption of the Recommendation, with the setting-up of a dedicated Work Stream under the Cooperation Group established by the Directive (EU) 2016/1148 concerning measures for a high common level of security of Network and Information Systems across the Union. The Commission welcomes the active participation of Czech Republic as co-chair of this Work Stream.*

*As envisaged in the Recommendation, the Commission, with the help of the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity has supported Member States in the preparation of a coordinated European risk assessment, which was presented on 9 October 2019<sup>1</sup>. This report is based on the national risk assessments that all Member States transmitted to the Commission and the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity earlier this year.*

*In this context, the Commission has taken due note of the views expressed by the Poslanecká sněmovna in its Opinion and it will continue to do so in the next phase of implementation of the Recommendation. According to the Recommendation, the EU-wide risk assessment should form the basis for elaborating a toolbox of security measures,*

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<sup>1</sup> EU coordinated risk assessment of the cybersecurity of 5G networks  
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*which Member States can adopt to mitigate the security risks that they have identified. This toolbar is currently under discussion and should be published soon.*

*The Commission hopes that these clarifications address the issues raised by the Poslanecká sněmovna and looks forward to continuing the political dialogue in the future.*

*Yours faithfully,*

*Maroš Šefčovič  
Vice-President*

*Thierry Breton  
Member of the Commission*