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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Senato della Repubblica for its Opinion concerning the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 as regards the reduction of pollutant emissions from road vehicles {COM (2014) 28 final}.

The Commission welcomes the support shown by the Senato della Repubblica for this proposal and the measures contained therein aiming at a reduction of pollutant emissions from road vehicles, thus improving the health of the citizens in urban areas.

In addition, the Commission welcomes the comments of the Senato della Repubblica in relation to a necessity to adapt the provisions in Regulation (EC) No 715/2007, which provide for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny (RPS), to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). The Commission takes due account of the Senato della Repubblica's observation regarding pending procedures in which the committee has already delivered its opinion in accordance with Article 5a of Decision 1999/468/EC before the entry into force of this proposed regulation.

According to the Common Understanding the Commission, when preparing and drawing up delegated acts, will ensure a simultaneous, timely and appropriate transmission of relevant documents to the European Parliament and the Council and will carry out appropriate and transparent consultations well in advance, including at expert level.

The points made above are based on the initial proposal presented by the Commission which is currently in the legislative process involving both the European Parliament and the Council at which your government is represented.

The Commission hopes that this reply addresses the issues raised by the Senato della Repubblica and looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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