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*Dear President,*

*The Commission would like to thank the Senato della Repubblica for its Opinion on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA), and repealing Council Regulation (EC) 2062/94 {COM(2016) 528 final}.*

*The proposal aims at revising the Regulation establishing the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work which dates from 1994. The reasons for the revision are twofold. Firstly, the revision would align certain provisions of the existing Regulation with the Common Approach on Decentralised Agencies. Secondly, the revision offers the opportunity to update the objectives and tasks of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work to better reflect developments in this area as well as new needs.*

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

*Yours faithfully,*

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