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Dear Mr. Timmermans,

On behalf of the Vouli ton Antiprosopon of Cyprus, the Poslanecká Snemovna and Senát of the Czech Republic, the Hrvatski Sabor of Croatia, the Országgyűlés of Hungary, the Seimas of Lithuania, the Senato della Repubblica of Italy, the Tweede Kamer and Eerste Kamer of The Netherlands, the Senat of Poland, the Assembleia de República of Portugal, the Camera Deputatilor of Romania, the Národná rada of the Slovak Republic and the House of Lords of the United Kingdom, I am pleased to provide you with an overview of our priorities based on the Commission Work Programme 2015.

All parliamentary chambers mentioned above consider the Digital Single Market Package as a priority. Additionally, the Strategic Framework for the Energy Union, Labour Mobility Package, Trade and Investment Strategy for Jobs and Growth and the European Agenda for Migration are prioritized by almost all chambers. Some chambers set also priorities involving REFIT initiatives, but no common thread can be identified.

As you mentioned during the COSAC meeting in Riga, intensified contacts with national Parliaments are needed. This is very much appreciated. Although national parliaments can set priorities at any time and choose their own way to get in touch with the European Commission, I am convinced that this overview will contribute to closer cooperation.

On behalf of my colleague chairs of EU affairs committees in the above mentioned parliaments, yours sincerely,

Mr. Malik Azmani
Chair Committee on European Affairs, Dutch House of Representatives

Annex: Overview priorities national parliaments 2015

Priorities National Parliaments Commission Work Programme 2015

New initiatives

N°/Name of the Commission's initiative	Cyprus Vouli ton Anitprosopon	Czech Republic Poslanecká snemovna	Czech Republic Senát	Croatia Hrvatski Sabor	Hungary Országgyűlés	Italy Senato della Repubblica	Lithuania Seimas	Netherlands Tweede Kamer	Netherlands Eerste Kamer	Poland Senat	Portugal Assembleia de República	Romania Camera Deputaţilor	Slovak Republic Národná rada	United Kingdom House of Lords
A New Boost for Jobs, Growth and Investments														
1 The Investment Plan for Europe							*					*		
2 Promoting integration and employability in the labour market							*					*		
3 Mid-term review of the Europe 2020 strategy							*					*		
A Connected Digital Single Market														
4 Digital Single Market (DSM) Package							*					*		
A Reliant Energy Union with a Forward-Looking Climate Change Policy														
5 Strategic Framework for the Energy Union												*		
6 Communication on the Road to Paris - multilateral response to climate change												*		
A Deeper and Fairer Internal Market with a Strengthened Industrial Base														
7 Internal Market Strategy for goods and services							*					*		
8 Labour Mobility Package							*					*		
9 Capital Markets Union							*					*		
10 Framework for resolution of financial institutions other than banks												*		
11 Aviation Package												*		
A deeper and Fairer Economic and Monetary Union														
12 Deepening Economic and Monetary Union Package							*					*		
13 Proposal for a Directive with a view to providing for compulsory exchange of information in respect of crossborder rulings							*					*		
14 Action Plan on efforts to combat tax evasion and tax fraud, including a Communication on a renewed approach for corporate taxation in the Single Market in the light of global developments							*					*		
Trade: A Reasonable and Balanced Free Trade Agreement with the U.S.														
15 Trade and Investment Strategy for Jobs and Growth												*		
An Area of Justice and Fundamental Rights Based on Mutual Trust														
16 Proposals to complete EU accession to the ECHR							*					*		
17 European Agenda on Security							*					*		
Towards a New Policy on Migration														
18 European Agenda on Migration							*					*		
A Stronger Global Actor														
19 Communication on European Neighbourhood Policy												*		
20 Communication on the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals												*		
A Union of Democratic Change														
21 Proposal for an inter-institutional agreement on better law-making												*		
22 Proposal for an inter-institutional agreement on a mandatory Transparency Register												*		
23 Review of the GMD decision-making process												*		

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• Subsidiarity check

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REFIT actions

N°/Name of REFIT	Type of REFIT	Croatia Hrvatski Sabor	Hungary Országgyűlés	Italy Senato della Repubblica	Lithuania Seimas	Netherlands Tweede Kamer	Netherlands Eerste Kamer	Portugal Assembleia de República	United Kingdom House of Lords
Digital Economy & Society									
14 Study on rules on audiovisual commercial communication for alcoholic beverages	Study								
16 E-Privacy Directive	Evaluation								
18 Telecoms Package	Evaluation								
Employment, Social Affairs, Skills & Labour Mobility									
21 Information and consultation of workers	Legislative initiative: Consolidation, Simplification								
23 Integrating Social Statistics	Legislative initiative: Consolidation, Simplification								
24 Occupational Health and Safety	Evaluation								
25 Part-Time Work and Fixed Term Work	Evaluation								
Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries									
27 Fishing Authorisation Regulation	Legislative initiative: Recast								
28 Simplification of technical measures for the protection of marine organisms	Legislative initiative: Simplification								
30 Common Fisheries Policy	Evaluation								
34 Natura 2000 (Birds and Habitats Directives)	Fitness check								
Health & Food Safety									
43 Food Law	Fitness check								
Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs									
55 Forest-based industries	Cumulative Cost Assessment								
57 Late Payment Directive	Evaluation								
Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality									
60 Equal treatment in social security	Evaluation								
62 Legislative framework related to consumer rights and advertising	Fitness check								
Migration, Home Affairs & Citizenship									
63 Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from this requirement	Legislative initiative: Codification								
66 Unauthorised entry, transit and residence	Evaluation								
67 FRONTEX including Rapid Border Intervention Teams	Evaluation								
68 Fight against organised crime	Evaluation								
69 Legal migration	Fitness check								
71 Trade diversion of certain key medicines	Evaluation								

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