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*Ms Maria da Assunção Andrade ESTEVES
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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Assembleia da República for its Opinion concerning the Green paper 'Making the most out of Europe's traditional know-how: a possible extension of geographical indication protection of the European Union to non-agricultural products' {COM(2014) 469 final}.

The Commission presented a summary of the results of the consultation at a conference in Brussels on 19 January 2015. A report will be published soon on the contributions received and on the conference¹. On that basis, the Commission will decide on the appropriate way forward in due time.

The Commission thanks again the Assembleia da República for its contribution and looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

*Frans Timmermans
First Vice-President*

*Elżbieta Bieńkowska
Member of the Commission*

¹ http://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/intellectual-property/industrial-property/geo-indications/index_en.htm