## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



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Mr Luis CAPOULAS SANTOS Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the Assembleia da República Palácio de S. Bento P – 1249-068 LISBOA cc. Mr Eduardo FERRO RODRIGUES
President
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Dear Chair,

The Commission would like to thank the Assembleia da República for its Opinion on the proposal for a Council Decision amending Council Decision (EU) 2016/915 as regards the reference period intended to be used for measuring growth of CO2 emissions, to take account of the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic in the context of CORSIA {COM(2020) 219 final}.

The Commission welcomes the Assembleia da República's conclusion that the objectives of the proposal cannot be sufficiently achieved by Member States and that action at the EU level is necessary.

The Decision was adopted by the Council on 9 June<sup>1</sup>.

The Commission believes that the political dialogue with national Parliaments is essential for linking the institutions and the citizens of the European Union, and looks forward to continuing the political dialogue with the Assembleia da República in the future.

Yours faithfully,

Johannes Hahn Member of the Commission

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/768, OJ L 187, 12.6.2020