



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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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 on the financial contributions to be paid by Member States to finance the European Development Fund, including the second instalment for 2020 {COM(2020) 234 final}.*

*The European Development Fund is the main source of EU development aid for the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries and the overseas territories. The Commission welcomes, therefore, that the Assembleia da República decided to analyse this proposal and welcomes its conclusion that the European Union is competent to legislate in this area in particular.*

*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,*

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