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Dear Chair,

The Commission would like to thank the Assembleia da República for its Opinion on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing measures for a sustainable rail market in view of the COVID-19 pandemic {COM(2020) 260 final}.

The Commission appreciates that the Assembleia da República decided to analyse this proposal and welcomes its conclusion that action at the EU level is necessary to achieve the aims of the proposal and that the action proposed does not go beyond what is necessary to achieve these aims.

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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