



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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C(2020) 8779 final*

*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 on a temporary derogation from certain provisions of Directive 2002/58/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use of technologies by number-independent interpersonal communications service providers for the processing of personal and other data for the purpose of combatting child sexual abuse online {COM(2020) 568 final}.*

*The Commission welcomes the Assembleia da República's support for the aims of the proposal and its conclusion that action at the EU level is necessary to achieve them.*

*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 it with the Assembleia da República in the future.*

*Yours faithfully,*

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