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 Recommendation on a common framework for the use, validation and mutual recognition of COVID-19 rapid antigen tests in the EU {COM(2020) 849 final}.

The Commission appreciates that the Assembleia da República decided to analyse this proposal and welcomes its conclusion that it complies with the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality.

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,

Maroš Šefčovič Vice-President