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Dear President,

The European Commission would like to thank the Romanian Chamber of Deputies for its Opinion on the Commission's Proposal for a Regulation of the Council on jurisdiction, applicable law and the recognition and enforcement of decisions in matters of matrimonial property regimes (COM(2011)126 final), and apologises for the undue delay in replying to it.

The Commission welcomes the support of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies for the proposal and its acceptance on the compliance with the principle of subsidiarity and the principle of proportionality.

The aim of the proposal for a Regulation is to establish a common set of rules of international private law applicable on matrimonial property regimes in cross-border cases to solve the problems experienced by international couples in this area. The proposal will provide rules on jurisdiction, applicable law and on recognition and enforcement of decisions, authentic instruments and court settlements for matrimonial property regimes.

The proposal supplements also the existing legal framework in family matters, in particular the Council Regulation (EC) n° 2201/2003 concerning jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility (called "Brussels II a") and the Council Regulation (EU) n° 1259/2010 implementing enhanced cooperation in the area of the law applicable to divorce and legal separation.

The Commission welcomes the Chamber of Deputies' valuable comments on the content of the proposal and the information provided on the national Law.

Yours faithfully,

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