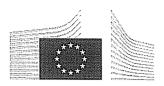
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Dear President.

The Commission would like to thank the Camera Deputatilor for its Opinion on the Enlargement Strategy and Main Challenges 2012-2013 {COM(2012) 600 final} and apologises for the deadline in replying.

The Commission fully shares the Camera Deputaților's view that the EU integration process should represent something tangible to each European citizen. The enlargement policy continues to contribute to peace, security and prosperity on our continent. The prospect of accession drives political and economic reforms, transforming societies and creating new opportunities for citizens and businesses, both in candidate countries and in the EU.

The Commission takes good note of the views expressed by the Camera Deputaților on the need to fight the phenomenon of State capture and all other forms of fraud; on the possible ways to enhance the EU's role as a global player; and on the need to improve the administrative capacity of candidate countries in the course of the pre-accession process.

The Commission fully agrees with the Camera Deputaților on the importance of the credibility of enlargement policy being maintained, and would like to reassure it of the Commission's continuous commitment to enlargement.

The Commission would like to thank the Camera Deputaților for reconfirming its support for the current enlargement agenda and looks forward to continuing the political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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