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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Camera Deputaților for its Opinion, which supports the Commission's proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 as regards the establishment of a Controller of procedural guarantees {COM(2014) 340 final}.

The Commission fully agrees with the Camera Deputaților that this proposal would improve the protection of procedural guarantees whilst maintaining a high level of protection of the financial interests of the European Union.

The Commission welcomes the position of the Camera Deputaților that the proposal does not breach the principle of subsidiarity and would have no impact on the Member States' powers and responsibilities in the protection of the EU's financial interests. Indeed the proposal only concerns investigations carried out by an EU body, OLAF, and additional control mechanisms should be established at EU level.

In addition, as pointed out by the Camera Deputaților, this proposal does not infringe upon existing complaints mechanisms such as the Ombudsman or the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The points made above are based on the initial proposal presented by the Commission which is currently in the legislative process involving both the European Parliament and the Council in which your government is represented.

The Commission thanks again the Camera Deputaților for its contribution and looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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