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*Mr Călin POPESCU-TĂRICEANU
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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Senat for its Opinion regarding the Communication – Making the most of network and information systems – towards the effective implementation of Directive (EU) 2016/1148 concerning measures for a high common level of security of network and information systems across the Union {COM(2017) 476 final}.

The Commission is pleased that the Senat shares the view that the implementation of the Directive on the security of network and information systems¹ gives a precious opportunity to upgrade the level of security of network and information systems across the European Union and that it deems the best practices provided to be useful.

The Commission has taken due note of the information provided about the Romanian representation in the Network and Information Systems Cooperation Group and of the efforts related to the review of the Romanian National Cyber Security Strategy and to the transposition of the Directive's requirements into national legislation.

Acknowledging the added-value of a regular dialogue with the Romanian Parliament, the Commission points to Commissioner Gabriel's visit to the Romanian Parliament's Information and Communications Technology and European Affairs Committees in October 2017 when she discussed how the initiatives of the Digital Single Market can contribute to effectively master digital transformation.

¹ Directive (EU) 2016/1148 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2016 concerning measures for a high common level of security of network and information systems across the Union; OJ L 194, 19.7.2016, p. 1–30.

The Commission looks forward to continuing cooperating and sharing information with Romanian authorities in the context of the Network and Information Systems Cooperation Group and of the Computer Security Incident Response Teams Network.

The Commission looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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First Vice-President*

*Mariya Gabriel
Member of the Commission*