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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Camera Deputaților for its Opinion on the Communication on Strengthening European Identity through Education and Culture {COM(2017) 673 final}.

The Commission welcomes the Camera Deputaților's broad support for the ideas and proposals outlined in the Communication, and in particular for its vision for a European Education Area. It agrees that enhanced cooperation between Member States is essential to overcome obstacles to the free movement of students for learning and studying purposes across the Union.

The Commission also welcomes the Camera Deputaților's support for establishing a framework for mutual recognition of qualifications as well as a framework for improving the learning of languages. It also recognises the value of new technological and scientific developments and draws the attention of the Camera Deputaților to the recent Communication on a Digital Education Action Plan as adopted by the Commission in January 2018¹.

The Commission would like to reassure the Camera Deputaților of its intention to continue supporting the necessary and relevant national reforms of education and training systems.

¹ COM (2018) 22 final

The Commission looks forward to continuing the collaboration with the Camera Deputaților on the individual elements that will support the establishment of the European Education Area, and to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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*Jyrki Katainen
Vice-President*