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Dear Presidents,

The Commission would like to thank the Cortes Generales for their Opinion on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council in order to allow for the continuation of the territorial cooperation programmes PEACE IV (Ireland - United Kingdom) and United Kingdom - Ireland (Ireland - Northern Ireland - Scotland) in the context of the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union {COM(2018) 892 final}.

It welcomes the Cortes Generales' support for the proposal and its conclusion that action at the European level is necessary to achieve the aims of the proposal, which was adopted by the European Parliament and the Council on 19 March 2019.

The Commission believes that the political dialogue with national Parliaments is essential for linking the Institutions and the citizens of the European Union, and looks forward to continuing it with the Cortes Generales in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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