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Dear Presidents,

The Commission would like to thank the Cortes Generales for their Opinions on its proposals aiming at adapting the regulatory framework in the areas of cohesion and employment policies due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This concerns notably the amended proposal for a Common Provisions Regulation {COM(2020) 450 final}, the amended proposal for a Regulation establishing the Just Transition Fund {COM(2020) 460 final}, the amended proposal for a Regulation on the European Regional Development Fund and the Cohesion Fund {COM(2020) 452 final}, the proposal for a Regulation as regards the introduction of specific measures for addressing the COVID-19 crisis {COM(2020) 223 final}, the proposal for a Regulation on public sector loan facility under the Just Transition Mechanism {COM(2020) 453 final}, the amended proposal for a Regulation as regards the resources for the specific allocation for the Youth Employment Initiative {COM(2020) 206} and the amended proposal for a Regulation on the European Social Fund Plus {COM(2020) 447 final}.

The Commission appreciates that the Cortes Generales have analysed these proposals so expeditiously. It welcomes the support of the Cortes Generales for these proposals' general aim to mitigate the negative effects of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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.

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