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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 on European Data Governance {COM(2020) 767 final}.*

*This legislative proposal is a first measure to improve the availability of data for economic, scientific and societal purposes. It aims to lay down a horizontal set of rules on which sector-specific rules can build.*

*The Commission welcomes the thorough analysis the Cortes Generales have carried out into this important subject and appreciates the positive position taken both on the compliance with the principle of subsidiarity and on the content of the proposal.*

*The Commission would like to make an observation regarding the specific point raised on the single information point (article 8 of the proposal):*

*The objective of such an information point is to act as the primary interface for re-users that seek to re-use public sector data in the scope of the Data Governance Act. The Commission considers that maintaining a national-level repository of information about the data made available for re-use, as well as about the applicable re-use conditions and fees, can enhance the visibility of the said information and increase its actual re-use.*

*At the same time, the single information point does not need to be synonymous with the centralisation of tasks at the expense of the current federated model. The information on the conditions for re-use and the applicable fees can continue to be published on the regional level. However, a copy of such information should also be available via the single information point. This approach is similar to that of maintaining a central open data catalogue via the portal [datos.gob.es](https://datos.gob.es), while at the same time publishing data via separate portals on the level of the autonomous provinces.*

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*The Commission hopes that these clarifications address the important issues raised by the Cortes Generales and looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.*

*Yours faithfully,*

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