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Dear President,

The European Commission would like to thank the Swedish Riksdag for its statement concerning the Green paper "Less bureaucracy for citizens: promoting free movement of public documents and recognition of the effects of civil status records", COM(2010) 747 final.

The Commission considers the transmission of opinions by the National Parliaments as an important contribution to the European Union's consultations in the framework of the Green Paper. The contribution will be analysed carefully in the context of the future initiatives.

The public consultation was closed on 10 May 2011 and the Commission is analysing the results and all contributions received from interested parties. All contributions including the contribution of the Swedish Riksdag are available on the web site http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/civil/opinion/110510_en.htm.

In the second half of this year work is concentrating on the analysis of the contributions which help the Commission in the preparation of possible legislative initiatives as foreseen by the Action Plan Implementing the Stockholm Programme - Delivering an area of freedom, security and justice for Europe's citizens (COM (2010) 171).

As mentioned in the Green Paper, two follow-up legislative initiatives are foreseen in the Action Plan for 2013/2014, which the Commission will bring to the attention of the Swedish Riksdag in due time.

Yours faithfully,

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