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Dear Maroš,

Doc: 17176/13: Communication from the Commission on the review of the proposal for a Council Regulation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office with regard to the principle of subsidiarity, in accordance with Protocol 2.

Letter of 25 July from Vice-President of the Commission Maroš Šefčovič

Thank you for your letter of 25 July 2014. It was considered by the Justice, Institutions and Consumer Protection Sub-Committee at its meeting of 15 October. We have both made our respective positions on the Commission's handling of the "yellow-card" procedure in this instance abundantly clear. The emergence in June of a rival text under the auspices of the Greek Presidency means that effectively key aspects of our correspondence on this matter has been overtaken by events.

As you are aware we have conducted our own inquiry into the proposed European Public Prosecutor's Office and its outcome will be published on 3 November 2014.

We do not expect a reply to this letter.

I am copying this letter to Vice-Presidents Miguel Angel Martínez-Martínez MEP and Othmar Karas MEP; Juan Fernando López Aguilar MEP, Chair of the LIBE Committee; Klaus-Heiner Lehne MEP, Chair of the JURI Committee; Carlo Casini MEP Chair of the AFCCO Committee; Salvatore Iacolino MEP, rapporteur for this proposal; Birgit Sippel MEP, Renate Weber MEP, Jan Philipp Albrecht MEP, Timothy Kirkhope MEP and Cornelis de Jong MEP, shadow rapporteurs for this proposal; Sir William Cash MP Chair of the Commons Committee; Sarah Davies, Clerk to the Commons Committee, Arnold Ridout, Legal Adviser to the Commons Committee; Les Saunders, Cabinet Office; Deborah Maggs, Home Office Departmental Scrutiny Coordinator.

The Lord Boswell
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