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from: Mr Gernot PFANDLER, Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of Austria to the European Union
dated: 12 August 2004
to: Mr Javier SOLANA, Secretary General/High Representative
Subject: Candidacy of Ms Benita FERRERO-WALDNER as a member of the Commission
of the European Communities

Sehr geehrter Herr Generalsekretär!

Das innerstaatliche Verfahren gem. Art. 23c B-VG zur Nominierung von Frau Bundesminister Dr. Benita FERRERO-WALDNER für die Funktion eines Mitgliedes der Europäischen Kommission für die Amtszeit vom 1. November 2004 bis zum 31. Oktober 2009 wurde mit der Einvernehmensherstellung durch den Hauptausschuss des Nationalrates am 11. August 2004 abgeschlossen.

Ich erlaube mir hiermit, Sie offiziell über diesen Nominierungsvorschlag zu unterrichten.

Ein Lebenslauf von Frau Dr. Benita FERRERO-WALDNER liegt bei.

(complimentary close)

(s.) Gernot PFANDLER

CURRICULUM VITAE**Benita Ferrero-Waldner****Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria**

Born on 5 Sept, 1948, in Salzburg, Austria

1966 - 1970	University of Salzburg, study of law (Dr. iuris)
1971 - 1978	Paul Kiefel, Freilassing/Germany (1971-72), Export Department Gerns and Gahler, Freilassing/Germany Director for Export Promotion
1978 - 1981	P. Kaufmann Inc., New York Sales Director for Europe
1981 - 1983	Gerns and Gahler, Freilassing; Germany Chief Management Assistant
1 st January 1984	Austrian Embassy, Madrid Special Consultancy
September 1984 - January 1986	Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs Department of Economic Affairs; Department of Political Affairs; Department of Consular Affairs
January - June 1986	Austrian Embassy, Dakar, Senegal First Secretary
June 1986 - May 1987	Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs Department for Development Cooperation
May 1987 - July 1990	Austrian Embassy, Paris Counsellor for Economic Affairs
July 1990 - February 1993	Austrian Embassy, Paris First Counsellor and Deputy Chief of Mission, Chargé d’Affaires a.i.
February 1993 - December 1993	Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs Deputy Chief of Protocol

4th May 1995 - State Secretary for Foreign Affairs
3rd February 2000

Since 4th February 2000 Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria