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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	Draft EUROPEAN COUNCIL DECISION establishing the composition of the European Parliament - Consent of the European Parliament

Delegations will find in Annex the letter from the President of the European Parliament Roberta Metsola to the President of the European Council Charles Michel informing that the European Parliament gave its consent to the draft European Council decision establishing the composition of the European Parliament (13/23).

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The President

Mr Charles Michel
President of the European Council
Rue de la Loi 175
B-1048 Brussels

Subject: Consent to the draft European Council decision establishing the composition of the European Parliament

Dear President,

At its sitting of 13 September 2023, Parliament gave its consent to the draft European Council decision establishing the composition of the European Parliament (2023/0900(NLE)), following the request submitted by the European Council on 23 August 2023 in accordance with Article 14(2) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU).

I hereby transmit to you the legislative resolution, which has also been sent to you in electronic form in all language versions.

I would like to draw your attention to Parliament's statement annexed to the resolution, which makes clear that the draft decision on the composition of the European Parliament is without prejudice to the prerogatives of the European Parliament and the Council in the annual budgetary procedure and that recital 5 of that draft decision concerns matters that do not fall within the scope of the European Council's competences under Article 15(1) TEU and the legal basis of Article 14(2) TEU. It is for the European Parliament and the Council alone to decide on the content of the Union's budget in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 314 TFEU.

Furthermore, I would like to point out that in its legislative resolution and proposal of 15 June 2023, Parliament also stated that provision should be made for an appropriate number of representatives in the European Parliament to be elected in a Union-wide constituency, following the entry into force of a revised European electoral law. I am hopeful that progress can also be made in this direction.

Parliament now looks forward to the swift adoption of the decision by the European Council.

Yours sincerely,



Roberta Metsola

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Mr Pedro Sánchez Pérez-Castejón, President-in-Office of the Council of the European Union