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	 Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality

Delegations will find attached the opinion of the Danish Parliament (Folketinget) on the above followed by a courtesy English translation.

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Næstformand Maroš Šefčovič Europa-Kommissionen B-1049 Bruxelles Belgien

Politisk udtalelse om Kommissionens forslag til forordning om et indre marked for digitale tjenesteydelser (KOM(2020)825)

Folketinget har behandlet Kommissionens forslag til Europa-Parlamentets og Rådets forordning om et indre marked for digitale tjenesteydelser og undersøgt, om det overholder nærhedsprincippet.

Folketinget vurderer, at forslaget ikke indebærer problemer i forhold til nærhedsprincippet.

Et flertal i Folketinget (Socialdemokratiet, Venstre og Enhedslisten) finder det vigtigt, at det sikres, at de personer, der skal behandle og træffe beslutninger i klagesager og udenomretslige tvister, ud over at være upartiske og uafhængige, tillige er i besiddelse af de fornødne kompetencer og viden, herunder kendskab til såvel national som europæisk kontekst i relation til emnet for den sag, der behandles. F.eks. kan der være store kulturforskelle landene imellem i forhold til, hvad der anses som "stødende".

Med venlig hilsen

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Vice President Maroš Šefčovič Euroean Commission B-1049 Bruxelles Belgium

Contribution concerning the Commission's proposal on a Single Market for Digital Services (COM(2020)825)

The Danish Parliament (Folketinget) has assesed the Commission's proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Single Market for Digital Services and studied whether it adheres to the Principle of Subsidiarity.

It is the assessment of the Folketing that the proposals do not breach the Principle of Subsidiarity.

A majority in the Folketing representing the Social Democratic Party, the Liberal Party of Denmark and the Unity List, consider it important that the persons charged with processing and making decisions in cases of complaint and extrajudicial disputes also possess adequate competences and knowledge, including an awareness of the national and European context pertinent to the case in question. For example, there may be significant cultural disparities between the countries with regard to what is considered "offensive".

Yours sincerely,

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