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To the Chairperson(s) of the committee(s) concerned

Dear Chair, dear Colleague,

In the framework provided by Article 51 of the Europol Regulation¹, we are pleased to invite you to the **Fourth Meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group on Europol (JPSG)**, which will take place on 24 and 25 February 2019, in Bucharest, Romania.

Aiming at increasing the scrutiny process, we intend to organise discussions and debates with Commissioner Julian KING, Ms Catherine de BOLLE, Executive Director of Europol, and key representatives of Europol, on topics related to the agency's recent activities, data protection, travel intelligence and cybercrime.

According to Article 4.2 of the JPSG Rules of Procedure, we kindly draw your attention to the right to address both *oral and written questions* to Europol. In this respect, please note that we have asked Europol to provide us with the relevant meeting documents at least one month ahead of every JPSG meeting. These documents being expected before 25 January 2019, will be communicated to you immediately after.

We would be grateful if you could send us your <u>written questions by 6 February 2019</u>, at the latest, so that they can be forwarded to Europol, thus ensuring ample time to Europol to prepare its replies. Please send these questions to the JPSG Secretariat (jpsg.libesecretariat@europarl.europa.eu). Delegations will, of course, have the possibility to ask oral questions at the JPSG meeting.

We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation.

As to the JPSG's representative to the meetings of the Europol Management Board, we would suggest that this representative be the head of delegation of the National Parliament holding the rotating presidency. Your confirmation or input relating to this suggestion ahead of the plenary meeting are most welcome.

Regulation (EU) 2016/794 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Please find enclosed a draft agenda, along with the general information document. Our services stay entirely available for any questions you might have.

Looking forward to welcoming you and your delegation to Bucharest, Yours sincerely.

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Co-Chair of the JPSG the JPSG on Europol

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Claude MORAES Co-Chair of the JPSG Head of the Romanian Delegation to Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

Annexes:

Annex 1: Draft agenda of the Fourth Meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group on Europol

General Information for the Fourth Meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Annex 2: Scrutiny Group on Europol