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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Swedish Parliament, we are honoured to invite you to the Inter-parliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy in Stockholm, Sweden. The Conference will take place on 2–3 March 2023 as part of the parliamentary dimension of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

The conference constitutes an opportunity to discuss core issues at the centre of EU foreign and security policy, at a time when such matters are more important than they have been in a long time. This is reflected in the topics that will be highlighted during the conference, where there will be plenty of opportunities to discuss the latest foreign, security and defence policy developments, with a special focus on Russia's aggression against Ukraine, the Arctic region and the EU's Strategic Compass for Security and Defence.

We firmly believe that your participation will contribute to fruitful discussions that will strengthen the link between representatives of the national parliaments, the European Parliament and the European External Action Service, deepening commitment to the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy along the way.

Please find attached a draft programme and general information about the conference.

Yours sincerely,



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