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Dear Speaker, dear Colleagues,

We have the honour of inviting your parliament to take part in the third High-level Interparliamentary Conference on Migration and Asylum in Europe, which will be held on Friday, 10 December 2021, at the European Parliament. The conference will once again be organised with our joint support and in collaboration with the Portuguese and German Parliaments.

While we would have preferred to hold the conference in person, circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic unfortunately still prevent us from doing so, which is why this year's event will once again take place as a videoconference.

Migrations are a common and constant feature in today's Europe and around the world and will undoubtedly remain a part of our everyday lives in future. It is therefore all the more important our parliaments give the matter sufficient attention and work towards suitably tailoring our relevant policies and our common approach. The aim of the High-level Interparliamentary Conference on Migration and Asylum in Europe is to encourage and strengthen dialogue between legislators promoting a broad dialogue on the management of migration and asylum in Europe, while deepening the inter-parliamentary process launched in the previous meetings. We believe this will contribute to our improved joint response to migration and asylum challenges, which have only been exacerbated due to the current pandemic and other recent events in the region.

We sincerely hope your parliament will accept our invitation and take part in the third High-level Interparliamentary Conference on Migration and Asylum in Europe, contributing to a lively and productive debate and helping achieve the necessary progress in finding a common response to contemporary migration challenges.

Please find enclosed the preliminary draft agenda. Further details of the meeting will be sent in due course to your parliament's services responsible for relations with the European Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

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