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The Permanent Representative
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**Dear Mr Gualtieri,
Dear Mr Svoboda,**

In response to your letter regarding the state of play on the Commission proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2013/34/EU as regards disclosure of income tax information by certain undertakings and branches I would like to kindly inform you that the Presidency will devote its efforts to make progress on this dossier as much as possible.

As you will certainly be aware, there are several unresolved political issues still preventing an agreement in the Council on this file, including the legal base of the proposal, which calls into question the very applicability of the Ordinary Method of Legislation.

The Bulgarian Presidency has taken over the results of the technical work which was well advanced under the Netherlands, Slovak, Maltese and Estonian Presidencies and is currently pursuing consultations with delegations with a view to advancing the file.

The Council will need further time in order to clarify its position on this file.

Sincerely Yours,



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Ambassador,
Permanent Representative
of the Republic of Bulgaria to the EU**

**Mr Roberto Gualtieri
Chair of Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
European Parliament**

**Mr Pavel Svoboda
Chair of Committee on Legal Affairs
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