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**For the attention of Presidential Troika of COSAC**

Mr Reinhold LOPATKA  
Chairman of the Standing Sub-Committee on European Union Affairs of the National Council  
Austria

Dear Mr LOPATKA,

Allow me to start by recalling our recent meeting in Tbilisi and by thanking you for your participation at the Open Government Partnership Global Summit in Georgia. This visit has greatly contributed to developing inter-parliamentary relations between our countries, which I hope will evolve further.

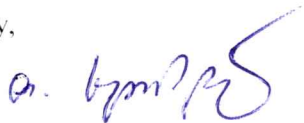
I highly appreciate your interest and willingness to support Georgia's strive for European integration. It has been for years already that Georgia is recognized as the most dedicated and consistent among the Eastern Partnership countries in pursuing its goal of political association and economic integration with the European Union. As set out in the EU-Georgia Association Agreement we are committed to further consolidate our democracy and pursue policies based on our shared values and principles.

Austria's support to Georgia's European integration is of particular importance now, during Austria's EU Presidency. In this capacity your country will be organizing and hosting number of events that are of high importance to Georgia and as discussed during our meeting, we would highly appreciate being considered and invited to take part in those, relevant to our aspirations and needs. Among those are certainly COSAC meetings that are regularly attended by the Parliamentary Committee on European Integration of Georgia during the past few years.

With this letter allow me to reiterate my request to participate in the COSAC Plenary Meeting on 18-20 November, 2018 in Vienna along with other events/ conferences that would be open to non EU member states. I am convinced that discussing Georgia's progress in various fields could eventually open up new opportunities of EU's engagement with its committed partner.

Wishing you a successful Presidency.

Sincerely,



Tamar KHULORDAVA  
Chairperson