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from:	Mr Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament
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to:	Mr Alan Shatter, President of the Council of the European Union
Subject:	Information about European Parliament's participation at the meeting of the Council on General Affairs and Policy of the Hague Conference on Private International Law, from 9 to 11 April 2013 in the Hague, Netherlands

Delegations will find attached a copy of the above letter.



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The President



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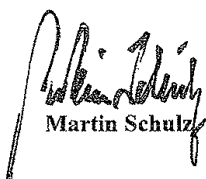
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Dear President-in-Office,

I am writing to inform you that, as the Parliament's observer to the Hague Conference on Private International Law, Ms Alexandra Thein, MEP, intends to attend the meeting of the Council on General Affairs and Policy of the Hague Conference in the Hague, Netherlands, on 9-11 April 2013.

I have also informed the President of the European Commission in order that his Institution may undertake the necessary steps to include Ms Thein in the delegation of the European Union participating in the aforementioned meeting.

Yours sincerely,


 Martin Schulz

copy: Mr Klaus-Heiner Lehne, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs
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