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**President of the European Council
Herman Van Rompuy
congratulates Alexander Stubb
on his appointment as Prime Minister of Finland**

I would like to convey my warmest congratulations to Alexander Stubb on his appointment as Prime Minister of Finland.

With the combination of his energy, knowledge and European experience, I am confident that Alexander Stubb will be well placed to make an important contribution to the European agenda ahead of us.

I look forward to welcoming Alexander Stubb at the next European Council meeting on 26-27 June 2014.

I would also like to express my great appreciation to Jyrki Katainen for the excellent cooperation and his support for our common European project over the last three years.

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