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from:	Mr Declan Kelleher, Permanent Representative of Ireland
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to:	Mr Juozos Bernatonis, Council of the European Union
No. Cion prop. :	COM(2013) 452 final
Subject:	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union a number of legal acts in the area of Justice providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny - Opt-in of Ireland

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Dear President,

I refer to the provisions of Protocol (No.21) to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice) and, in particular, Article 3(1) thereof, under which Ireland may notify the President of the Council in writing within three months after a proposal or initiative has been presented to the Council pursuant to Title V Part Three of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of any such proposed measure.

The 3 month period referred to above commences at the time when the proposal becomes available in all official languages. While the proposal in question is not yet available in all those languages, Ireland has now completed the necessary steps to participate in the adoption and application of the proposal. I wish to advise you therefore that at the appropriate time, Ireland will notify you that, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the above mentioned Protocol, Ireland wishes to take part in the adoption and application of the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union a number of legal acts in the area of Justice providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny.

(complimentary close)

(signed) Declan Kelleher

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