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Delegations will find attached a letter on the next procedural steps within the European Parliament regarding the unfinished business.

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The President

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Mr Antti Rinne President-in-Office
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Dear Mr President,

I would like to inform you that according to Rule 240 of the European Parliament's Rules of Procedure, at the end of the last part-session before elections, all Parliament's unfinished business shall be deemed to have lapsed, unless, at the beginning of the new parliamentary term, the Conference of Presidents takes a decision on reasoned requests from parliamentary committees and other institutions to resume or continue the consideration of such unfinished business.

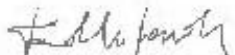
These provisions shall not apply to petitions, citizens' initiatives and communications that do not require a decision.

Furthermore, with reference to legislative proposals where Parliament has already adopted its position, Rules 81 and 84 provide that at the request of the committee responsible, and where the Conference of Presidents considers it desirable, the President shall ask the Commission to refer its proposal again to Parliament or call upon the Council to re-consult Parliament.

In this framework, the newly constituted committees will be asked to discuss, at the earliest opportunity, which files they want to resume or continue as well as to consider files on which the Parliament would like to modify its position following the elections. On that basis, the committees will indicate to the Conference of Presidents those files on which the work could be continued and where possible requests for withdrawals or renewed referrals should be submitted.

I expect that the committees would wish to start working on the files as soon as possible and, at the earliest opportunity. I shall notify you of any decision taken by our Institution.

Yours sincerely,


David-Maria Sassoli