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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Nomination of Mr Paolo GENTILONI as Member of the European Commission

Delegations will find attached a translation of a letter from Mr Giuseppe CONTE, Prime Minister of Italy, nominating Mr Paolo GENTILONI as Member of the European Commission.

Encl.: IM 9368 2019

The Prime Minister

Dear President,

I would like to inform you that the Italian Government has decided to nominate Mr Paolo Gentiloni as candidate for the position of Member of the European Commission. I trust that the Italian candidate, formerly Prime Minister, may hope to hold a top economic portfolio.

With best wishes once again for success in forming the Commission, [complimentary close].

Giuseppe Conte

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Paolo Gentiloni

Biography

The hon. Paolo Gentiloni (born OMISSIS in OMISSIS) is Former Prime Minister of Italy.

He is a professional journalist and has a degree in Political Sciences.

Since 2001 he is Member of Parliament, elected in the Italian Democratic Party. Currently member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

In 2005 he was Chairman of the Broadcasting Services Watchdog Committee.

In 2006 he served as Minister for Communications in Prime Minister Romano Prodi's government.

In 2014 he served as Foreign Minister in Prime Minister Matteo Renzi's government.

In December 2016, he was appointed Prime Minister, serving until June 1st 2018.

He is a distinguished fellow in the Foreign Policy program at Brookings Institution and member of the Economist Global Advisory Board.

His last book is "La sfida impopolista" (The (Un)populist challenge), Rizzoli, 2018.