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From: European Committee of the Regions  
To: Mr. Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen, Secretary General of the Council of the European Union

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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on ENISA, the "EU Cybersecurity Agency", and repealing Regulation (EU) 526/2013, and on Information and Communication Technology cybersecurity certification ("Cybersecurity Act")  
- Letter from the European Committee of the Regions to the Secretary General of the Council of the European Union

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Delegations will find in ANNEX a letter from the European Committee of the Regions to the Secretary General of the Council of the European Union.



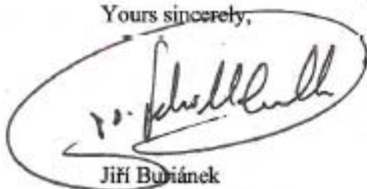
Furthermore, the CoR suggests that that an EU cybersecurity agency with full operational capacities should be set up and regulated, with responsibility for the entire cybersecurity lifecycle and for the prevention, the detection of and the response to cyber incidents when they occur.

To conclude, the CoR believes in the importance of keeping up the efforts to combat cyberattacks by implementing, in an appropriate legal framework, security measures which will improve the protection of critical infrastructure so that individuals and companies can enjoy a safe, reliable digital environment, while also upholding fundamental rights and other core values of the EU.

The CoR trusts that these recommendations will be duly considered and endorsed in your future work on this issue.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Alexander Popov, the administrator in charge, by telephone (02 282 2351) or email ([Alexander.Popov@cor.europa.eu](mailto:Alexander.Popov@cor.europa.eu) and/or [sedec@cor.europa.eu](mailto:sedec@cor.europa.eu)).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, enclosed in a hand-drawn oval. The signature is cursive and appears to read 'Jiří Bubeník'. Below the signature, the name 'Jiří Bubeník' is printed in a standard font.

Cc: Jim Cloos, Deputy Director-General