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## PROPOSAL

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| From:            | Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director                                                                                                                              |
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## ANNEX

### **Order of entitlement to nominate a European Capital of Culture**

|      |             |            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2034 | Croatia     | Romania    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2035 | Ireland     | Greece     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2036 | Lithuania   | Austria    | EFTA/EEA country, candidate country or potential candidate, or third country associated to the 'Creative Europe – Culture' strand of the AgoraEU programme or to the subsequent Union programmes supporting culture. |
| 2037 | Hungary     | Luxembourg |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2038 | Estonia     | Germany    | EFTA/EEA country, candidate country or potential candidate, or third country associated to the 'Creative Europe – Culture' strand of the AgoraEU programme or to the subsequent Union programmes supporting culture. |
| 2039 | Latvia      | Finland    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2040 | Slovakia    | Portugal   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2041 | Slovenia    | France     | EFTA/EEA country, candidate country or potential candidate, or third country associated to the 'Creative Europe – Culture' strand of the AgoraEU programme or to the subsequent Union programmes supporting culture. |
| 2042 | Czechia     | Sweden     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2043 | Poland      | Denmark    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2044 | Cyprus      | Italy      | EFTA/EEA country, candidate country or potential candidate, or third country associated to the 'Creative Europe – Culture' strand of the AgoraEU programme or to the subsequent Union programmes supporting culture. |
| 2045 | Malta       | Belgium    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2046 | Bulgaria    | Spain      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2047 | Netherlands |            | EFTA/EEA country, candidate country or potential candidate, or third country associated to the 'Creative Europe – Culture' strand of the AgoraEU programme or to the subsequent Union programmes supporting culture. |