

The President

President-in-Office Council of the European Union Rue de la Loi 175 B-1048 Brussels

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Dear President,

The European Union has been through several crises since the last treaty reform, and despite having managed to weather these storms, it also has become apparent that the Union needs to become more effective in its capacity to act. The Conference on the Future of Europe and its conclusions underline this need.

For this reason, the European Parliament adopted a resolution with an overwhelming majority on 9 June 2022 calling for a Convention for the revision of the Treaties. As you well know, Article 48 of the Treaty on European Union provides the Parliament the competence to initiate treaty changes. Following the transmission of the resolution on 10 June 2022, Council is obliged to submit these proposals directly to the European Council, and obliges the latter to examine these proposals.

In line with the principle of sincere cooperation, I would like to kindly request that Council act in accordance with the provisions of Article 48 of the Treaty on European Union and invites the European Council President to add to the next European Council meeting Parliament's proposals for the amendment of the Treaties as set out in the 9 June resolution. The national Parliaments should also be notified.

We urgently need to reform the Union to make it more effective and democratic. Moreover, the outlook of a further enlargement necessitates that the Institutions and the decision-making processes are future-proof and equipped to absorb our European friends into the Union.

I attach a copy of Parliament's resolution for information and have sent a similar letter to the President of the European Council.

Yours sincerely,

Roberta Metsola

Encl: Parliament's resolution of 9 June 2022 on the call for a Convention for the revision

of the Treaties

In Copy: Mr Petr Fiala, Prime Minister of the Czech Republic

Ms Magdalena Andersson, Prime Minister of Sweden

Mr Pedro Sánchez, President of the Spanish Government

Mr Alexander de Croo, Prime Minister of Belgium

Mr Didier Seeuws, Acting Secretary General of the Council of the European Union