José Manuel Barroso President of the European Commission

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Dear President,

I would like to thank you for your letter of 20 December 2013 concerning the last political developments in Catalonia.

It is not my role or the role of the Commission to express an opinion or encouragements on such a question of internal organisation related to the constitutional arrangements in the Member States.

Concerning the consequences of this question under EU law, I would recall the position that I have myself, as well as several Members of the Commission, expressed on several occasions.

Yours sincerely,

José Manuel BARROSO

M. Artur Mas President of the Generalitat of Catalunia