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Subject: Market Prospection for a New Joint House of Europe in Vilnius, Lithuania

Dear Sirs,

It has been brought to my attention that both the European Parliament and the European Commission are contemplating a joint Market Prospection in Vilnius in the second half of 2011 in order to find suitable spaces for their joint EU premises in Lithuania, which currently comprises the EP Information Office (EPIO) and the European Commission Representation (ECR) in Lithuania.

The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) would like to join this Market Prospection as we also have a need to find new premises before the end of this year. Our current lease has been funded by the Lithuanian government and will come to an end in December 2011, thus we will be forced to enter the market to search for new offices. A joint building search would lead to synergies in our administrative efforts, and a new joint EU establishment in Vilnius would emphasize the presence of the European Union in Lithuania.

Finally, I would like to underscore EIGE's eagerness to work together with your infrastructure services and our willingness to assist you locally as much as possible in

Telephone: +370 5 2394 166 Email: Luigi.Sandrin@eige.europa.eu the spirit of inter-institutional co-operation to make this search a success.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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