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Mr Jerzy Buzek

Chair, European Parliament Committee on Industry, Research and Energy
STRASBOURG

Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014 as regards the promotion of Internet connectivity in local communities

Dear Mr Buzek,

Following the outcome of the informal trilogue between the representatives of the three institutions held on 29 May 2017 in the European Parliament regarding the Decision in subject, the draft compromise text and draft joint statement were agreed today by the Permanent Representatives Committee.

I am therefore now in a position to confirm that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading, in accordance with Article 294 paragraph 3 of the Treaty, in the exact form as set out in the compromise package contained in the Annex to this letter, but subject to revision by the legal linguists of both institutions, the Council would, in accordance with Article 294, paragraph 4 of the Treaty, approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position.

On behalf of the Council I also wish to thank you for your close cooperation and expert Chairmanship which should enable us to reach agreement on this dossier at first reading.

Yours sincerely,


Mr Neil Kerr

Chairman of the Permanent Representatives
Committee (Part 1)

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