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Commission des Libertés Civiles, de la Justice et des Affaires Intérieures
Le Président

Mr. Hans-Gert PÖTTERING
President of the European Parliament

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Dear President,

Thank you for your letter of 8 January 2009 (ref. 300199), concerning the plenary vote on the report on the situation of fundamental rights in the European Union 2004-2008 (A6-0479/2008; rapporteur: Mr Giusto Catania).

Taking into consideration the outcome of the committee vote on 2 December 2008, I am indeed doubtful that a large number of the amendments tabled for the vote in plenary would have sufficient support in the committee.

On the other hand, since the number of tabled amendments hardly exceeds the threshold mentioned in Rule 156 of Parliament's rules of procedures, I would be reluctant to convene an extraordinary meeting of my committee, not the least on the ground of sound management of human and financial resources.

I would therefore be grateful, given the very short notice, in case you would nevertheless consider that we should meet next Monday evening, to be informed as soon as possible about your final decision in this regard.

Yours sincerely, Très amicalement,

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