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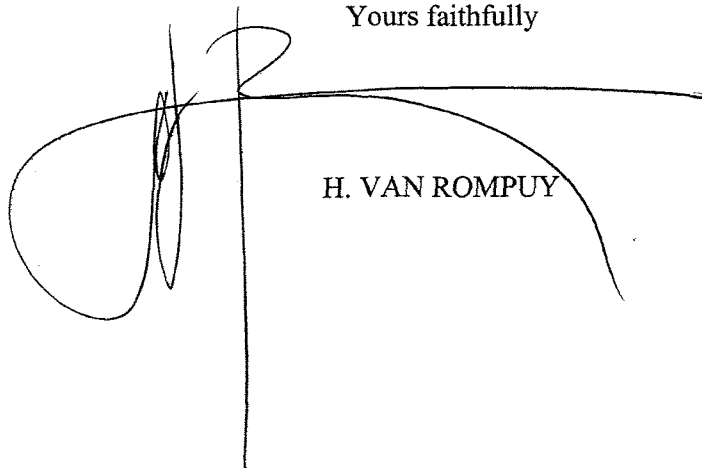
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Sir,

On 7 December 2009 the Council submitted to the European Council, in accordance with Article 48(2) TEU, a proposal by the Spanish Government for the amendment of the Treaties as regards transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament.

The European Council hereby consults the European Parliament in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 48(3) TEU. Furthermore and pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 48(3) TEU, the European Council intends not to convene a Convention, given that, in its view, this is not justified by the extent of the proposed amendments; it therefore requests the consent of the European Parliament to that effect.

Yours faithfully



H. VAN ROMPUY

Enclosure