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Viviane Reding
Vice-President of the European Commission
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Cecilia Malmström
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Dear Vice-President Reding and Commissioner Malmström:

In follow-up to my letter of 1 July, and my call yesterday with Viviane, I would like to suggest that our staffs continue to discuss the modalities for the Dialogue, and that the three of us arrange a joint conference call following their discussions.

In particular, it will be important from our perspective to ascertain the nature and level of Member State participation in the Dialogue. In this regard, I should clarify that the list we provided of Member States whose intelligence services we would expect to be involved in the Dialogue was in terms -- and was meant to be -- illustrative, not exhaustive. As we well know, citizens on both sides of the Atlantic are safer because of the outstanding work of intelligence services from across the Member States. Thus, we would consider it essential that the Dialogue include at least representatives of the intelligence services of the six largest EU Member States (Italy, France, Germany, Poland, Spain, and the United Kingdom), as well as appropriate representatives of the many other EU Member States intelligence services that provide for our joint security.

I look forward to speaking to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric H. Holder, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Eric H. Holder, Jr.
Attorney General