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Note to the Members of the Ad hoc Ethical Committee

Mr. Rafael García-Valdecasas
Mr Michel Petite
Mr Terry Wynn

Subject: Your appointment as Members of the Ad hoc Ethical Committee for a new mandate 2012-2015

I am pleased to inform you that the Commission has recently decided to reappoint you for a new three-year mandate as members of the Ad hoc Ethical Committee as from 15 December 2012. I take this opportunity, on behalf of President Barroso, to thank you for having accepted this new assignment.

As members of the Ad hoc Ethical Committee, I assume you followed recent press articles on Mr John Dalli's resignation of 16 October 2012. I would like to underline that Mr Dalli's resignation was a political decision without prejudice of the presumption of innocence.

Mr Dalli's resignation has given rise to many reactions and requests for access to documents. Some of the questions relate to the Code of Conduct for Commissioners. You might find it useful to read the replies made by the Commission in this context.

Kind regards,

Catherine Day

Cc: Mr Laitenberger, Head of President Barroso's private office.

Encl: Letter of 05.11.2012 from ALTER-EU to President Barroso and Commission's reply of 06.12.2012; Letter dated October 2012 of EPHA and others to President Barroso and Commission's reply of 03.12.2012

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