To the attention of:

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Via E-mail: president@europarl.europa.eu

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Vienna, 15 June 2012 2012-outgoing-739

Re: FRA Annual report 2011, Highlights and Annual activity report 2011

Dear President of the European Parliament,

It is our pleasure to present the Annual report and the Annual activity report of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) covering the year 2011.

The FRA Annual Report 2011 provides in-depth evidence and analysis of fundamental rights developments in the EU, its Member States and Croatia. It points out achievements, such as national reforms in child protection systems and efforts to shorten the length of court proceedings as well as EU legislative and policy measures in, for example, the areas of victim protection, human trafficking and Roma integration. It also focuses on the challenges ahead, with the areas of racism, equality and non-discrimination, among others, remaining core concerns. The report looks at EU and international developments and deals with all the areas covered by the current mandate of the FRA, presenting promising practices across these fields. A focus chapter puts the spotlight on the 'fundamental rights landscape' in Europe and on the ever-increasing cooperation between the United Nations, Council of Europe, EU and national levels in the area of fundamental rights.

The main report is accompanied by a Highlights report – a 40-page stand-alone summary – which throws light on key legal and policy developments in 2011.

The third document, entitled Annual Activity Report 2011, provides an account of the activities and achievements of the FRA during 2011.

We hope that you will find the information, analysis and activities captured in these reports interesting and of use to you in your work.

Morten Kiaerum. Dîrector

European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

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Should you require further information about the fundamental rights situation in the EU, or about the FRA and its activities, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to continued fruitful cooperation with you in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Morter Kjærum Director

## Enclosures:

FRA, Fundamental rights: challenges and achievements in 2011 – Annual report 2011 FRA, Fundamental rights: key legal and policy developments in 2011 – Highlights 2011 FRA, Annual activity report 2011

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FRA Annual Report 2011 & FRA Annual Activity Report 2011 (Embargo 20 June - 15.45hrs)

Attachments: Letter to EP President Schulz re Annual Report - 150612.pdf; EMBARGO FRA-

2012 Annual-Report-2011 EN.PDF; EMBARGO FRA 2012 Annual-report-Highlights-

2011 EN.PDF; FRA-2012 Annual Activity Report 2011 EN.PDF

Dear President of the European Parliament,

On behalf of Morten Kjaerum, please find attached a letter for your kind information, as well as the following related reports:

- FRA Annual Report 2011
- > FRA Annual Report 2011 Highlights
- > FRA Annual Activity Report 2011

Kindly note that the embargo for the reports is Wednesday, 20 June 2012, 1545 CET.

Yours sincerely, Marlene Steinbichler

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