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Dear (HOME) dear Jari

Following our conversations, I would like to update you on this.

We have now received the latest version of the Recommendation of the Committee of ministers after the expert group meeting, and found still many problems for our policies. The text goes in the direction of being very restrictive on action to detect and remove illegal content by intermediaries ( (HOME) ) and runs against the COM position in the latest communication on liability of intermediaries, as well as EU acquis (The Child sexual abuse directive) and policies (Internet forum). (HOME)

I'm including a clean version and one version with my annotations on problems

Now the text has left the expert group and is going up to the political level in the COE (**comite directeur end of October and Comité des Ministres in December**).

Together with DG CNECT we have agreed that EU coordination should be organised to make sure that MS say the same thing in Strasbourg as they say in Brussels. This means

- Involving the relevant COM ISGroup that dealt with intermediaries liability and GRI to find a COM position
- Request from EE presidency a discussion of this document at a Council Working group and adoption of a EU position on the basis of the COM proposal; request for MS to instruct their representatives in Strasbourg to hold the EU position
- involvement of the EU delegation.

We should keep each other updated,

Thanks so much for your support, kind regards,

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