

Bucharest, January 2019

Excellency,

On behalf of the Parliament of Romania, we have the pleasure to invite representatives of your Parliament to attend the Inter-Parliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CFSP/CSDP), which will take place on 7-8 March 2019 in Bucharest. The Conference will be held under the Parliamentary Dimension of the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

Romania is holding the Presidency of the EU Council in a challenging European and international context, for the first time since accession. As such, Romania is called to assure a balanced outcome of the debates on the future of the EU. At the same time, taking charge of the rotating Presidency represents an excellent opportunity to reconfirm our country's strong commitment to the EU values, as a reliable and proactive member of the European family.

We kindly ask you to forward the enclosed invitation letter signed by the Chairpersons of the foreign affairs and defence Committees of both Chambers, addressed to the Chairpersons and representatives of the relevant committee(s) of your Parliament.

We are looking forward to welcoming your delegation in Bucharest.

Yours sincerely,

Călin POPESCU-TĂRICEANU

President of the Senate

Liviu DRAGNEA

President of the Chamber of Deputies