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The Hague, 3 August 2017

Excellency,

Thank you for sharing the information on the Commission's Rule of Law Recommendation addressed to the Polish government. We will share this information with the members of ACA-Europe.

As you know ACA-Europe fully shares the Commission's grave concerns with regard to developments in Poland that threaten the constitutionally enshrined independence of the Polish judiciary. We fully support the Polish member of ACA-Europe, the Supreme Administrative Court, whose members have recently, in a public resolution, taken issue with proposals that challenge the independence of the courts. The independence of the judiciary is not only a guarantee of the rights and freedoms of Polish citizens, but it also is one of the main fundaments of the European Union and the democratic rule of law on which it is based.

ACA-Europe will further discuss your information and the situation in Poland in the meeting of the board of ACA-Europe in Krakow in September.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J.P.H. Donner', is written over a horizontal line.

J.P.H. Donner
President ACA-Europe