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Subject: GRECO 4th Round Compliance Procedure – Netherlands

Dear Ms van der Zijde,

Following the discussions and decisions taken during the 78th plenary meeting of GRECO on 4-8 December 2017, I am writing to ask you to kindly bring to the attention of the relevant national authorities (including Parliament) the importance for GRECO of a swift and comprehensive implementation of its recommendations to the Netherlands, as contained in the 4th Round Evaluation Report and assessed in the subsequent compliance reports. These recommendations include one asking for a restriction on the simultaneous holding of the office of judge and that of member of either Chamber of Parliament to be laid down in law, an issue to which I attach particular importance.

As you are aware, GRECO is expected to review the compliance of the Netherlands with its recommendations in March 2018.

GRECO's Secretariat and I remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Yours sincerely,

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President of GRECO