

# PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC Chamber of Deputies Ondřej Benešík Chairman Committee for European Affairs

Prague, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Dear Ms. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee on European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - Commission Work Programme 2021 - A Union of vitality in a world of fragility /COM(2020)690 final, Council Code 12115/20/.

The respective document was included in the agenda of the 60th session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020. According to the Rules of Procedure the State Secretary for European Affairs of the Office of the Government was present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government's Framework Position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the resolution No. 386 in the context of the Political Dialogue which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

Enclosure

**Ms.** Ursula von der Leyen President of the European Commission Brussels

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### **Committee on European Affairs**

Resolution No. 386

#### 60th Session on 18 November 2020

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#### **Conclusions of the Resolution:**

#### Committee for European Affairs

- 1. **takes note of** the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Commission Work Programme 2021 A Union of vitality in a world of fragility and the Government's Framework Position on it;
- 2. **reminds** the European Commission that the European Union is founded on the principle of the division of competences between the Union and the Member States, which must be respected even in these difficult times;
- 3. **points out** that in areas where the Union shares competence with the Member States, all measures must fully respect the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality;
- 4. **looks forward** to the holding of the Conference on the Future of Europe, which considers the active involvement of national parliaments to be successful;
- 5. **welcomes** the planned initiatives in the healthcare, including the detection of cross-border health threats and the efforts to reform the World Health Organization;
- 6. **calls on** the European Commission to submit a proposal to reduce social and environmental dumping on goods imported into the EU;
- 7. **notes** that the issue of climate and energy protection, including emission reductions, needs to be solved globally, not just at EU level;
- 8. **authorizes** the Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs to forward this Resolution to the President of the European Commission, to the President of the European Parliament and to the chairmen of the European Parliament's factions **in the context of the political dialogue**.