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## TIBETAN PARLIAMENT-IN-EXILE

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Honourable Ms. Roberta Metsola President of the European Parliament ASP6E202, European Parliament, Rue Wiertz - 60, Brussels B-1047 Brussels

Dear Ms. Roberta Metsola,

I extend my heartiest congratulations to you on being elected as the President of the European Parliament.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama has always been an admirer of the spirit of the European Union signifying a common platform for better cooperation and understanding. The European Union's common principles to ensure freedom, democracy, equality and to promote peace and stability is truly commendable. Our cause of Tibet is based on nonviolence. The situation inside Tibet remains grim and hence I am hopeful that under your leadership we will see robust support to end the oppression in Tibet under the atrocious rule of China.

European Parliament has expressed its support to us by passing resolutions and acts on Tibet and we hope that you will continue your support. Tibetan language, religion, culture and identity are at stake under the PRC. There is a cultural genocide that has been happening over decades. Tibetans are deprived of every right to their identity and existence. Tibet's environment also remains a great concern for us as it is being destroyed through every means by China to fulfill their greed.

The Tibetan diaspora is expanding in the west, particularly in Europe. Europe is home to many Tibetans and we are very thankful for the support provided by the respective countries in Europe.

With your expertise, I am confident that your tenure will be fruitful. Once again on behalf of all the Tibetans and the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, I wish you all the very best for the endeavour that lies ahead.

Warm Regards,

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Khenpo Sonam Tenphel Speaker Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile