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Special Committee on the Financial, Economic and Social Crisis
The Chairman

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To the Chair of the Committee concerned

Dear Colleague,

Subject: *Invitation for an interparliamentary meeting on "Investing in the real economy: A tool kit for growth, innovation and cohesion"*

The European Parliament's Special Committee on the Financial, Social and Economic Crisis (CRIS), of which I have the honour to be Chairman, proposes to organise an interparliamentary meeting with the National Parliaments on the above-mentioned subject on Monday 14 March 2011 from 15.00 to 18.30 at the European Parliament in Brussels.

This meeting falls within the extension of CRIS' mandate in which it seeks close consultation with National Parliaments. A first part of this consultation was the written consultation through a questionnaire on key policy issues which has already been addressed to you. The forthcoming interparliamentary meeting will debate on issues raised in the questionnaire with a special focus on re-establishing the real economy. The meeting will start with a keynote speaker who will introduce the subject. A panel of National Parliamentarians and MEPs will then debate on the topic.

The meeting will be concluded with a formal dinner event and will host a high level guest speaker. This dinner will be organised jointly with the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee (ECON) who will hold its interparliamentary meeting the following day (15 March 2011).

The results of the consultations and discussions with National Parliaments will contribute to the CRIS' final report, which will be voted in the European Parliament's plenary in July 2011. It will contain policy recommendations in a ten year perspective on re-establishing the real economy and preventing future financial, economic and social crises.

We are therefore pleased to invite up to four members of the relevant committee(s) of each National Parliament (two from each Chamber of bicameral parliaments) to attend the meeting and dinner.

The practical details regarding the meeting as well as a detailed programme will be forwarded to you in due course via your Parliament's representative for relations with the European Parliament. We have attached a preliminary draft programme which gives an outline of the event.

Yours sincerely,



Wolf Klinz

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Preliminary Draft Programme

Interparliamentary meeting with the National Parliaments

***"Investing in the real economy: A tool kit for growth,
innovation and cohesion"***

Chaired by *Mr Wolf Klinz*
Chairman of the
Special Committee on the Financial, Economic and Social Crisis

Rapporteur: *Ms Pervenche Berès*

European Parliament
Brussels
Monday, 14 March 2011
15.00-18.30
Room: tbc

Preliminary Draft Programme

15.00 - 15.15

Introduction by the CRIS Chairman, Mr Wolf Klinz

15.15 - 15.45

Keynote speech:

Mr Felipe Gonzalez (*t.b.c.*), former Prime Minister of Spain and Chairman of the Reflection Group of the Future of the EU 2030, or Mr Philippe Maystadt, President of the European Investment Bank (EIB)

15.45 - 16.30

Questions and answers session on the keynote speech

16.30 - 18.20

Panel Discussion - Boosting the real economy by investing in Europe's added value, within the context of the Europe 2020 Strategy.

Introduction: Four short presentations by

Four representatives from National Parliaments (which could either be the Chair of a special committee on the crisis or a Rapporteur on a file related to the subject)

Followed by an open debate between Members of the CRIS Committee and National Parliament representatives

18.20 -18.30

Conclusions by the CRIS Rapporteur, Ms Pervenche Berès

Dinner in the Restaurant of the European Parliament

19.30

Possibly: Opening by President of European Parliament, Jerzy Buzek

Guest Speaker: Mr George Soros (*t.b.c.*). (Mr Soros has been a prominent international supporter of democratic ideals for more than 30 years. His philanthropic organization, the Open Society Foundations, supports democracy and human rights in over 60 countries. Born in Budapest in 1930, George Soros is Chairman of Soros Fund Management, LLC.)

Dinner debate
