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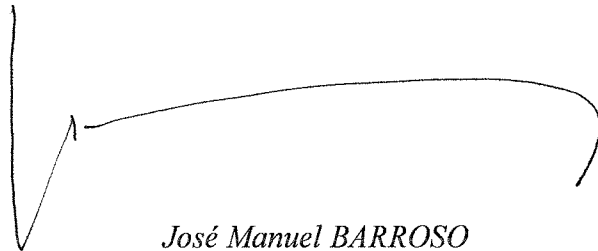
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Dear Co-Presidents of The Greens/EFA Group,

Thank you for your letter concerning the social dimension of the EMU, and the need to strengthen the fundamentals of the Monetary Union building on solid democratic grounds and on the community method.

The social dimension of the EMU is undoubtedly an important issue. The Commission is currently working on ways to strengthen the social dimension of EMU by focusing in particular on issues directly relevant for the well-functioning of the euro area, while fully respecting the general social agenda for the EU27. The Commission will present its Communication in the autumn.

Yours faithfully,



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