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Mr. Claus LARSEN-JENSEN
Chairman of the European Affairs Committee
Folketinget

Dear Mr. Larsen-Jensen

Following the last weekend national referendum on Lithuania's accession to the European Union I would like to share with you my immense satisfaction with the decision of the Lithuanian people. The preliminary results of the referendum show that 91,04% of the Lithuanian citizens said "yes" for Lithuania's future in the European Union. The turnout in the referendum was equally impressive - 63,3%. In case your or another member of your Committee would like to get more information about the 10-11 May 2003 referendum in Lithuania, may I give you the address of the official website of our Central Electoral Committee <http://www.vrk.lt/index.eng.html>.

Another reason why I decided to write to you is to underscore the overwhelming and fully motivated support of the Lithuanian nation for its membership in the EU. I hope that the information and my assurance will help to erase whatever doubts as to the transparency and legitimacy of the results achieved and to disperse the biased picture, presented by some of our eurosceptics in some of the international press. Following the referendum, on May 13, 2003, the Central Electoral Committee rejected the complaint tabled by the eurosceptics for failure to present evidence in support of their allegations.

I would like to take advantage of this opportunity and to sincerely thank you and the members of your Committee for your contribution and cooperation during our referendum campaign. Thanks to your consistent support for the European unification process, the Lithuanian people said a strong "yes" to our common future. I am convinced that we shall be reliable partners in the creation of the area of prosperity, security and justice for us all.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis'.

Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis
Chairman