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**Her Excellency,
Baroness Catherine Ashton
High Representative of the Union
for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,
Vice-president of the European Commission.**

Excellency,

On 14 December 2011, when sending you the note "*Our Defence and Security at a crossroads*", the acting President of the network EURODEFENSE in 2011 has expressed the will of the thirteen national associations EuroDéfense to contribute to the Common Security and Defence Policy development according to the Lisbon Treaty.

Today, in my capacity as acting President of EURODEFENSE in 2012, I have written in the same spirit to the *President of the European Council* to make a proposal which may be deemed an innovation : to attempt to meet the requirements of the Lisbon Treaty by following the intergovernmental process which prevailed in putting into place the European Treaty for Stability, Coordination and Governance in the economic field. A copy of this letter is attached for your information.

Also, a copy is sent to the *President of the European Commission* and to the *President of the Security and Defence sub-committee of the European Parliament*. Moreover, it is going to be sent, under adequate forms, to their national authorities by the presidents of the thirteen EuroDéfense associations of the EURODEFENSE network.

Yours sincerely,

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President of EuroDéfense-España
Acting President of EURODEFENSE

Enc : Copy of the letter to Mr Van Rompuy, President of the European Council

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