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**PRESIDENT'S OFFICE**

**Mr Manfred Weber**  
**President**  
**EPP**

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**Dear President Weber,**

**Topic: EPP support for renewed diplomatic efforts on the Cyprus problem**

I am writing to you at a moment when the Cyprus issue has re-entered a phase of cautious but meaningful diplomatic movement under the auspices of the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Most recently, the Secretary-General's Personal Envoy on Cyprus, Ms María Ángela Holguín Cuéllar, has been conducting a new round of consultations in Cyprus, Ankara, Athens and Brussels, with a view to reconvening a new informal 5+1 meeting. This effort deserves active political support, as it offers the best available path for creating the conditions for a more substantive next step.

This development, however, remains fragile and the political distance between the parties remains substantial, with Turkey continuing to publicly advocate a two-state solution, an approach that will never be accepted by the Republic of Cyprus, the European Union and the international community.

For these reasons, we believe that a stronger and more structured European role is both necessary and timely. In this context, the designation in May 2025 of former Commissioner Johannes Hahn as Special Envoy for Cyprus was a welcome and important step and his subsequent resignation in March 2026 should not result in a lapse of European engagement. On the contrary, the present phase of renewed UN diplomacy makes the need for continuity even stronger.

We would therefore be grateful for your support in expressing clear political backing for the current UN-led process and for Ms Holguín's efforts to reconvene an informal 5+1 meeting, as well as for your support in promoting, within the EPP family and with the European institutions, the appointment of a renewed dedicated EU representative on Cyprus, complementary to the efforts of the Secretary-General and his Personal Envoy.



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**Dear President Weber,**

We are grateful for the EPP's longstanding support on Cyprus, its rejection of the partitionist two-state approach, and its full commitment to a unified Cyprus, in accordance with the relevant Security Council resolutions and in line with EU law, values and principles.

Progress on Cyprus would strengthen stability in the Eastern Mediterranean and reinforce the credibility of a Europe that stands for reconciliation, rules and peace. We are convinced that, at this critical juncture, a principled and active EPP contribution can strengthen the prospects for a meaningful next phase in the UN-led effort.

**Sincerely,**

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