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## Honourable Judges,

Thank you for your letter addressed to President von der Leyen, Vice-President Jourova, and Commissioner Reynders, in which you set out your concerns about legislative proposals recently tabled in the Polish Parliament and their impact on the situation of the rule of law in Poland. Let me hereby reply to your letter.

The European Union is a Union of values: fundamental rights, democracy, rule of law. This is the bedrock of our society and our common identity. The Commission's work on the rule of law continues to be a key priority.

As regards the recent legislative proposals tabled in the Polish Parliament to which you refer in your letter, the Commission noted as a positive step the fact that there is movement to address and reform the disciplinary regime in Poland. At the same time, the Commission noted that it is imperative that new legislation as adopted complies with EU law and solves the issues raised by the Court of Justice in its recent rulings.

The Commission will continue to follow closely the legislative developments in Poland in that respect, and remains strongly committed to upholding EU law and values in the interest of the citizens of Poland and of the rest of the European Union.

Let me thank you again for raising this matter with the Commission.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)
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