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> Ms. Maria ARSENE Data Protection Officer Committee of the Regions Rue Belliard 101 B - 1040 BRUXELLES

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Dear Ms Arsène,

I thank you for the notification received from you on administrative enquiries of the Committee of Regions.

From the information received, the Committee of Regions has not adopted any implementing provisions on the basis of Annex IX of the Staff Regulations and the one pending inquiry is following the procedure followed by the Commission in this field (IDOC). As this procedure has already been prior checked by the EDPS (see Opinion of the European Data Protection Supervisor, 2004-0187), I would refer you to the recommendations made in this opinion. As concerns any new implementing rules in this area, I would invite you to submit them and the notification of the processing operation following from them to the EDPS in accordance with Article 27§2a and 27§2b leaving adequate time for the EDPS to adopt his opinion before the final adoption of the rules.

The same procedure should also be followed for the prior checking of the Disciplinary procedure of the Committee of Regions you refer to in your letter.

Yours sincerely,

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