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Dear Mr Vahanian,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Venice Commission is awarding you with a *pro merito* medal (attached) for having carried out the function of liaison officer for over ten years.

We are most grateful for the valuable services that you have rendered over these years.

I would like to let you know that through your important contributions to the *Bulletin on Constitutional Case-Law* and to the CODICES database, you have not only very well represented your Court but, most importantly, you have contributed to creating a very fruitful dialogue between the constitutional courts and equivalent bodies that cooperate with the Venice Commission. This dialogue forms the basis of judicial cross-fertilisation and the creation of a common constitutional heritage.

I should like to thank you very much for having contributed towards this development.

Yours sincerely,

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