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(Nominations to the post of European Ombudsman)

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Honourable President,

Following the call for nominations published in the Official Journal of the EU of 30 August 2024, I hereby submit to you my application for the position of European Ombudsman.

Enclosed you will find a copy of my Estonian ID card as proof of my citizenship of a Member State of the European Union. I declare that I enjoy full civil and political rights.

In addition to the required solemn undertaking and proof that I have the support of a sufficient number of Members of the European Parliament, I also enclose certificates of my PhD degree at the University of Tartu in law, my appointment as judge at the Supreme Court of Estonia, as judge at the European Court of Human Rights, as member of the panel provided for in Article 255 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and as Controller of procedural guarantees for investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), as well as my curriculum vitae. These serve to demonstrate that I meet the conditions required for the exercise of the highest judicial office in my country and have the acknowledged competence and experience to undertake the duties of Ombudsman.

I declare that I have not been member of national government, of the European Parliament, the European Council nor the European Commission including the two years pending the date of publication of the call for nomination.

I remain at your disposal should you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

Julia Laffranque

Enclosures:

- Copy of my ID card
- Copy of Diploma of PhD *doctor iuris* in legal science (law) at the University of Tartu
- Certificate of appointment at the Supreme Court of Estonia by Riigikogu (Estonian Parliament)
- Certificate of appointment at the European Court of Human Rights (election by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe)
- Certificate of appointment as member of the panel provided for in Article 255 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
- Certificate of appointment as Controller of procedural guarantees for investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)
- Certificate of having been Deputy Director of Academy of European Law
- Certificate of having been Professor at the University of Tartu
- Curriculum vitae
- Solemn undertaking
- Nominations of more than 39 Members of the European Parliament