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ECB Annual Report 2015

Dear Mr Schulz,

I am pleased to inform you that the ECB's Annual Report 2015 will be published in 22 official EU languages on the ECB's website at 09:00 CET on Thursday, 7 April 2016.

The ECB's Annual Report is prepared in accordance with Article 284 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and Article 15 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and will be submitted to the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union, the European Commission and the European Council.

The Annual Report covers both the ECB's monetary policy in 2015 and the economic developments seen over the year. It also presents the activities of the Eurosystem in its various areas of competence.

The electronic advance version of this year's Annual Report will be made available to you (under embargo) as of Tuesday, 5 April 2016 at 12:00 CET via a link to an extranet. Members of the European Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs will be granted access to the Annual Report from 12:00 CET on Wednesday, 6 April 2016.

In its resolution on the ECB's Annual Report 2014, the European Parliament asked the ECB to provide in its subsequent Annual Report a reasoned reply to the requests and questions included in the resolution.

The ECB gives careful consideration to the issues raised by the European Parliament and takes its views

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into account wherever appropriate. In response to the European Parliament's request for feedback on the input it provides as part of its resolution on the ECB Annual Report, the ECB has decided this year to publish, alongside the ECB's Annual Report 2015, a response to the points made by the Parliament in its resolution last year. This document will be published on the ECB's website together with the report and is annexed to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

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Cc: Mr Roberto Gualtieri, Chairman of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs of the European Parliament

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