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**SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY AND DEFENCE**

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Dear Mr. Chairman,

I am happy to inform you that, following the elections to the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania in October 2020, I was elected new Chair of the Committee on National Security and Defence by members of the Committee. These duties serve as an inspiration and commitment to me, along with the entire Committee, to work for the benefit of Lithuania's security, to strengthen the national sovereignty, defence potential, and resilience to hybrid threats as well as to contribute, together with NATO and EU allies, to strengthening the security and stability of the Euro-Atlantic area by exploiting the levers of inter-parliamentary diplomacy for the purpose.

Notwithstanding the changes in its composition, the Committee on National Security and Defence of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania will continue to uphold the tradition of shaping the national foreign, security and defence policy on the basis of a common consensus. In this light, Lithuania's strategic partnership with Denmark should be seen as a crucial precondition for the security of Lithuania and the entire Baltic region. Let me thank you for your leadership in ensuring the security of Lithuania and the whole Baltic region and for your support to Lithuania's strategic energy projects.

I believe that active parliamentary cooperation contributes to strengthening the strategic partnership between the two countries. In the context of the current pandemic, may I invite you to maintain active bilateral cooperation between our Committees through cutting-edge digital means in the hope that we will be able to welcome your Committee delegation in Vilnius after the pandemic is over.

Yours faithfully,

Laurynas Kasčiūnas

Chair of the Committee

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'L. Kasčiūnas', written over a horizontal line.