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**Mr. Nils Muižnieks**  
Commissioner for Human Rights  
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Dear Commissioner,

With reference to your letter of 12 January 2017, I wish to thank you for sharing with me your concerns regarding the amendments to the Aliens Act that the Slovenian government recently sent to the National Assembly for adoption. I will pay your letter and the considerations it entails special attention.

Slovenia is and remains committed to the full realisation of human rights and fundamental freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia and relevant international instruments to which our country is a state party, including the European Convention on Human Rights. The National Assembly is aware of its responsibility to ensure that all legislation it adopts is in strict conformity with constitutional provisions and Slovenia's international obligations. It is therefore necessary to stress that amendments to the Aliens Act proposed by the government are only in the initial stages of the legislative process and that the proposed act is still open for potentially necessary changes. I am confident that members of the National Assembly will to the greatest extent possible take into account the opinions of relevant Services of the National Assembly and eminent experts. The responsibility of adopting legislation that is consistent with constitutional and binding international standards, however, does not lie merely with the National Assembly's president but with each and every one of its members.

Having mentioned that, I wish to inform you that I have distributed your letter among all members of the National Assembly.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Milan Brglez