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Dear Mr. Stanciu,

Thank you for your kind letter of support for Poland and Polish authorities in their endeavours to comply with moral imperatives to protect life and dignity of every human being. It is very much appreciated.

As you are aware, the Polish Constitutional Court has issued a ruling stating that the eugenic premise for termination of pregnancy is unconstitutional. It has not yet changed any existing law. However, the ruling has been delivered by the Constitutional Court, an independent constitutional body whose decisions are binding and cannot be appealed.

The present Polish government is indeed the first one to develop a comprehensive family policy which provides a thorough support to all mothers to be and families struggling with serious child diseases. Governmental programmes and legal acts were introduced as important instruments of the pro-family policy. They constitute the first such comprehensive set of solutions to support pregnant women. They offer special assistance for women who go through pregnancies with complications. The programme also allocates funds for prenatal testing and therapy. Each woman and mother is at the core of our concern. This is why we want prenatal testing to be accessible to all women. Modern medicine allows us to make life-saving interventions, operate and offer therapy even before birth.

As you mentioned, Poland guarantees legal protection of life to every human being. This guarantee is enshrined in the Polish Constitution. I would also like to draw your attention that Poland has recently signed the Geneva Consensus Declaration whose thesis are in line with the Polish position on supporting families and promoting equal rights of men and women. The document affirms that the state grants particular protection to family as a fundamental group unit of society and promotes its growth. The fact that a group of like-minded countries, including the United States, Poland and Hungary highlighted this on a global scale, reminds the international community about the essential role of women in society and the continuous

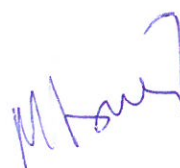
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including the United States, Poland and Hungary highlighted this on a global scale, reminds the international community about the essential role of women in society and the continuous need to improve their situation in the world. The Declaration firmly opposes treating abortion as a method of family planning. The document emphasises that issues relating to abortion should be regulated by domestic legal systems of individual countries. Poland shares this point of view and believes it should be promoted on international fora.

Today, more than ever, we need calm reflection and constructive dialogue with all the parties involved in current disputes regarding this issue in Poland. I am assured that your constructive voice of support might contribute to these debates.

Please accept the expression of my esteem,



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