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Honourable Member.

President Tusk has asked me to thank you for your letter of 23 November 2016 in which you drawhis attention to the seventeen master pieces stolen from the Castelvecchio museum in Verona last year and recovered in Ukraine last May.

President Tusk understands your concerns and recognises the importance that these paintings represent for the cultural heritage of Verona and of Italy.

The matter was raised in the margins of last week's Summit with the Ukrainian side. They ensured us of their full cooperation, only awaiting a signal from the Italian side regarding the date for delivering the art work.

President Tusk trusts that the Italian and Ukrainian authorities will be able to reach a positive conclusion on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

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