

SECRETARIAT GENERAL

DIRECTORATE OF LEGAL ADVICE AND
PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW
The Director



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Strasbourg, 24 March 2014

Dear Mr de Serpa Soares,

I refer to your letter dated on 23 January 2014 (reference LA/COD/59/2) addressed to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe and by which you inform our Organisation of the adoption of General Assembly Resolution 68/117 of 16 December 2013 entitled "The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction". More specifically, you refer to operative paragraph 3 of the said resolution, inviting relevant observers to submit, as appropriate, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction.

The Secretariat of the CAHDI would like to inform you that since our last contribution sent to your predecessor by letter dated on 2 October 2012, there have been no further developments on this matter in the work of the Council of Europe.

Please find herewith the aforementioned contribution (reference DLAPIL (2012) 1) which was submitted to the Council of Europe Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law (CAHDI) for comments in September 2012. The document enclosed is the result of this consultation process.

I remain at your disposal should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Jörg Polakiewicz
Director of Legal Advice and
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