

Brief van minister Binnenlandse Zaken en Koninkrijksrelaties aan ECB 24 juni 2019

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Subject Request for consultation on a private member's bill on transparency regarding the confidentiality of documents in possession of the Dutch central bank.

Dear Mr. Draghi,

Pursuant to article 127, section 4, and article 282, section 5, of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, as well as article 4 of the ESCB Statute, I kindly request you to submit your opinion on the members of Dutch parliament's private bill (Snels, Van Weyenberg) on the introduction of a "Wet open overheid" (Open Government Act, Woo), that is to replace the current Dutch Freedom of Information Act (Wet openbaarheid van bestuur, Wob).

Your opinion is sought in particular on article 8.8 of the private member's bill and its annex and of the articles 9.4 and 9.5 of a second bill that is to adjust the proposed bill. For further details I refer to the original request, send to you on May 24, 2019, with its annexes. A copy of that request is enclosed.

I appreciate receiving the opinion of the ECB about these draft legislative provision within a period of three months after this request. This time frame allows for sufficient time to consider the opinion of the ECB before continuing the legislative process.

Yours sincerely,
Minister of the Interior and Kingdom Relations,
drs. K.H. Ollongren