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I am writing to inform you that together with the Swedish ombudsman we are preparing a project "Co-operation between Ombudsmen from the Eastern Partnership (EP) Countries 2009-2013" which will be financed by the EU. One of the crucial objectives of the project is to reinforce the powers of Ombudsman Offices from the EP countries to participate in the building of a democratic state honouring individual rights.

The first stage of the project will cover a working visit in Yerevan during which we are planning to present our project in detail. Then we would like to meet again in Warsaw and, together with other ombudsmen from the EP countries, discuss the common principles of our co-operation.

Please accept my invitation to participate in the project. I am truly convinced that the Republic of Armenia, as well as other countries of the region, will greatly profit from this initiative.

I am looking forward to your prompt reply.

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