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## Re: Your letter (QZ-030)

Honourable Member of the European Parliament, dear Mr Fernández,

Thank you for your letter, which was passed on to me by Mr Roberto Gualtieri, Chairman of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, accompanied by a cover letter dated 25 April 2017.

I kindly refer you to my previous letter to you on this matter<sup>1</sup>, of 29 November, where I stated that the Governing Council has never discussed helicopter money as an instrument of monetary policy. I am therefore not in a position to provide the clarification you have requested.

Yours sincerely, [signed] Mario Draghi

<sup>1</sup> The letter is available on the ECB's website at: <u>https://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/161129letter\_fernandez.en\_en.pdf</u>