



**AMBASCIATA DELLA REPUBBLICA DI CIPRO  
ROMA**

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Dear Mr. Attruia,

I would like to begin by thanking the President of the European Security and Defence Association (ESDA), Mr. Robert Walter, as well as yourself, for your kind letter and for your support of Cyprus' priorities during its Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

Cyprus approaches this responsibility with the utmost seriousness and dedication, particularly at a time of heightened geopolitical turbulence. We are fully committed to fulfilling our institutional role as an honest broker and to working diligently to advance the Union's objectives, guided by our motto: «*An Autonomous Union, Open to the World*».

Your firm stance and ESDA's steadfast commitment to European solidarity, together with our shared values and principles, are deeply appreciated.

Please accept, Mr Attruia, my sincere appreciation for your continued support and solidarity. I look forward to our future communications and to further opportunities for constructive dialogue.

Best Regards.

Yiorgos Christofides  
Ambassador