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**To: European Parliament**

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**Subject: Unacceptable statements by the President of the European Parliament Antonio Tajani**

Dear All,

Around 50 pensioners from the Slovenian Region Podravje and Carinthia, members of the Trade Union of Pensioners of Slovenia (SUS), which is an integral part of the Association of Free Trade Unions of Slovenia, gathered at their annual meeting, condemn the words of the President of the European Parliament, Antonio Tajani, who at the end of his speech at the ceremony in the Italian settlement Bazovica exclaimed “live Italian Istria” and “live Italian Dalmatia”.

His belated and evasive excuse further convinced us that with his statements in Bazovica in the run-up to the European Parliament elections, he deliberately flirted with the supporters of extreme and extremist forces who in the past brought a lot of suffering, the consequences of which people still feel, including our generation. For a European politician of the highest rank such behaviour is completely unacceptable, and therefore we believe that he can not remain President of the European Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

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