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Dear Colleagues,

when we meet on the very last day of August again the cracks which appeared in ECR will have been disappeared - at least that is my sincere hope. The crisis emerged on Tuesday, July 6, should be behind us by then with all the lessons learned. With my limited wisdom, I can offer only three small points but would like to share them with you before we depart for holiday.

1. The unity, integrity and cohesion of ECR is a value of utmost importance and it must be upheld at any rate. We have worked a lot to achieve the present state and status of ECR, the cohesion and unity and the influence in the EP. That should not be taken or dismissed lightly.
2. Democracy and the rule of law should also be upheld even in such an international political group. It is inappropriate that some of the big guys decide among themselves and they do not seem to have consulted even with the other big guys, let alone the "Bulgarians". Changes in the leadership structure can be proposed of course but due process must be observed at all times.
3. In the age of global politics and media perception is everything. Our problems, created unnecessarily and unwisely by not following due process rules, will find their way to public news media very soon (if they have not found it already). That is very unfortunate. The big guys must consult each other without delay and create a common storyline which would put out the fire and minimize the fallout.

As a firm believer in the mission of ECR I am ready to assist the healing process with great care and attention.

Have a nice summer holiday.  
respectfully yours,

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