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Considerations on the Recommendations of the Cross-Party Committee “*Kommittén om insyn i finansiering av partier*” (SOU 2016:74)

Dear Mr. Sjöblom,

The International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) and the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) are pleased to share with you our joint comments on the proposed changes to the Act on Transparency of Party Financing.

International IDEA and IFES both work to further the transparency of money in politics in countries worldwide and we welcome the increased attention to this issue in Sweden, through the law passed in 2014 and through the proposed revised law. We also welcome the work by political parties to comply with the existing provisions, the publication of received records by Kammarkollegiet, and the work of the Cross-Party Committee on this issue.

In light of the proposed law, we would like to make the following comments which are enclosed here for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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