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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

As a Portuguese member of the European Parliament and its Delegation for relations with the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, I would appreciate if you could provide me with some information on the following issues:

1. Can you confirm if, starting in January 2002, there were military flights (US, or otherwise) in the context of NATO operations, which transited through Portuguese airspace and/or Portuguese airports - particularly the Lajes Base in the Azores Islands - and whose final destination (or point of origin) were the US facilities on Guantanamo Bay?
2. Did any of the flights to and from Guantanamo mentioned in the attached lists take place in the context of a NATO operation, namely ISAF? If so, what was the purpose and the content of those flights? (For your information, these lists were put together by NAV, the public company responsible for air traffic control in Portugal. One of them is composed of technical codes. The other one contains the decoded information.)

I would be most grateful if you could provide me with this information as soon as possible.

Best regards,

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