Please find enclosed the response to your letter dated 7 June 2021 (OL DNK 3/2021) from the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark.

Sincerely,

Morten Jespersen
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
In response to the communication, the Danish Government has the honour to provide the following information.

On October 8, 2020, the Danish government presented a political proposal called “Security for all Danes”. The political proposal contained a list of new political initiatives in order to strengthen security and safety for all Danes, e.g. a proposal to allow the police to issue a ban on assembling in a defined geographical area such as a certain spot in a residential area or in certain areas of a public park (a so-called “security-creating ban”). According to the proposal, it is, inter alia, a condition in order for the police to issue such a ban that the behavior of a group of individuals is creating insecurity for people in the area.

On March 10, 2021, the Danish government submitted a bill to the Danish Parliament with a view to implement key parts of this proposal into Danish law. However, on June 3, 2021, the Danish Parliament rejected the part of the bill concerning a security-creating ban on assembling in defined geographical areas. Thus, the Danish government’s proposal to allow the police to issue such a ban under certain specified conditions will not be passed into law.

It is the assessment of the Danish government – as described in the bill – that the proposal concerning a security-creating ban was in accordance with the Danish Constitution as well as international obligations.