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Dear Minister, dear Policy Makers in Music Education of the Czech Republic

The European Association for Music in School (EAS) is following with concern the development of the situation regarding the revisions of the educational curriculum of music and art education subjects for primary education in the Czech Republic. EAS expresses its **support for the implementation of concept A** within the educational area of Art and Culture in the Framework Educational Programme for Basic Education. Concept A preserves continuous education in the fields of music and art education in accordance with International and European education policies and offers equal educational opportunities to all primary school children. Concept A has the potential, within the integrative concept of both educations, to implement meetings with all complementary disciplines – film/audio-visual education, dance/movement education and drama education.

We would like to remind you as the responsible bodies of UNICEF's Convention on the Rights of the Child as well as the Proclamation of UNESCO and the European Agenda for Music of the European Music Council. With regard to these important international standards: Concept A will not let music education in the Czech Republic fall behind the standards set at this international level.

On behalf of the EAS board, yours sincerely

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