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**BY E-TRANSMISSION ONLY**

Dear Sir,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 13 April 2014 in which your Government request the Court to clarify its current position on application of Rule 39 in cases regarding the transfer of asylum-seekers to Italy under the Dublin Regulation. You refer to applications nos. 9624/14, 16359/14, 17913/14, 18136/14, 19790/14 and 20570/14.

In reply, I can inform you that pending the decision of the Grand Chamber in *Tarakhel v. Switzerland*, 29217/12, it may be envisaged that, depending on the circumstances of the individual case, interim measures may be applied in respect of persons or families in a similar situation to the applicants in the Grand Chamber case.

Yours faithfully,

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Section Registrar