

Folketingets Europaudvalg

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Europaudvalgets sekretariat

Til

udvalgets medlemmer og stedfortrædere

Erklæring fra det rumænske parlament vedrørende udfaldet af DER i København december 2002

Fra Udenrigsministeriet har vi modtaget uofficiel oversættelse til engelsk af en fælles erklæring vedtaget af det rumænske Senat og Deputeretkammer den 19. december 2002.

Erklæringen vedrører udfaldet af DER i København i december 2002 og de rumænske bestræbelser på at opnå EU medlemskab i 2007.

Erklæringen omdeles vedlagt til orientering.

Med venlig hilsen

Anne-Sofie Jensen



**PARLIAMENT OF ROMANIA
CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES**

SENATE

**THE DECLARATION OF THE PARLIAMENT OF ROMANIA, ADDRESSED
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS OF
THE CURRENT AND ACCEDING MEMBER STATES OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION,
ON THEIR SUPPORT FOR ROMANIA'S EU ACCESSION**

We, the Members of the Parliament of Romania, convened in joint parliamentary session, have adopted the

**DECLARATION – APPEAL
addressed to the European Parliament, the national Parliaments of the current
and acceding Member States of the European Union**

By the overthrow of the communist dictatorship in December 1989, Romania has joined the states sharing the democratic values, the rule of law and the market economy.

The final and irreversible return to the European space of freedom, security, civilization and prosperity has become, after 1989, the fundamental choice of the entire Romanian society. The European Union accession is the strategic priority for the Romanian policy and the fulfillment of this goal meets the consensus of the entire society.

Aware as it is that, at the moment of accession, the status of European Union Member State involves both rights and responsibilities, Romania has set itself the task of completing its EU accession process on the 1st of January 2007.

The Parliament of Romania welcomes the fact that the recent European Council Summit in Copenhagen has set, as a common goal, the year 2007 as the moment for Romania's accession to the European Union, and has also established a detailed and clear-cut road map aimed at meeting the membership criteria, as well as additional pre-accession assistance for the 2004-2006 period.

The Parliament of Romania welcomes the Common Declaration named "One Europe" on the continuous, inclusive and irreversible nature of the enlargement process, adopted by the European

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Union and the States that have concluded their accession negotiations, a Declaration expressing the political and legal guaranty of the support granted for the EU accession of our country. Considering the major political opportunities foreshadowed by the Copenhagen decisions, we, the Members of the Parliament of Romania, are addressing the Members of the European Parliament, the Members of the national Parliaments of the European Union 15 current Member States and the candidate countries that have concluded their accession negotiations, convinced that Romania will be granted further support in order to accelerate and finalize the negotiations process by concluding of the Accession Treaty in the first semester 2004. This would enable the Romanian MPs to participate with observer status in the activities of the European Parliament, from the very beginning of its forthcoming term.

We express our conviction that Romania will participate in the historical process of building a future extended, united and stable European Union. The Parliament of Romania is of the view that our country will contribute, as a member of the European Union, to extending the area of freedom and justice, as well as to the development of the Common Foreign and Security Policy.

Romania expresses its confidence that it will further benefit by the European Union's strong support for the successful completion of the preparations for the EU accession, as well as by the inclusive and unitary character of the European Union enlargement process under way.

The Chamber of Deputies and Senate, convened in joint parliamentary session, have adopted this declaration on 19 December 2002.

Valer Dorneanu

Nicolae Văcăroiu

President of the Chamber of Deputies

President of the Senate

Bucharest, 19 December 2002