

**DECLARATION ON THE SITUATION IN FORMER YUGOSLAVIA AND ON THE CONVOYING OF HUMANITARIAN AID IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA**

The European Council notes with concern the stagnation of the negotiating process in former Yugoslavia. It appeals once more to the parties to resume the negotiations without delay in order to reach a fair and durable agreement and asks them to refrain from any act of hostility and halt the violence. The European Council condemns the atrocities recently perpetrated by the Croatian forces in Stupni Do.

The European Council expresses its great anxiety at the deterioration of the humanitarian situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina. It condemns in the strongest possible terms the acts of deliberate aggression perpetrated on humanitarian-aid convoys in Bosnia-Herzegovina and in particular the most recent attack which left a number of casualties amongst humanitarian-aid personnel and led to the United Nations' suspending humanitarian aid to central Bosnia.

The international community has deployed considerable efforts to reduce the misery and suffering of the civilian population. A number of people of remarkable courage and devotion have been killed or wounded in carrying out their international-solidarity mission. We must act to remove all obstacles to free access for humanitarian aid so that that aid can continue.

The European Council holds the parties to the conflict directly responsible for establishing the conditions essential for any continuation of humanitarian aid, particularly as winter approaches. In this connection it demands firm and credible guarantees, which must be given effect, and requests Lord Owen to communicate those demands with urgency and insistence to the leaders of the three parties, who are responsible for passing on the necessary orders to local leadership.

The European Council agrees to support the conveying of humanitarian aid in Bosnia-Herzegovina on the basis of the following guidelines:

- a greater financial effort to help the population under pressure combined with intervention with non-member countries to contribute;
- the identification and restoration of priority routes, in particular to Sarajevo;
- obtaining the agreement of all parties to the preservation of those humanitarian routes;
- the use of all appropriate means to support the conveying of humanitarian aid;
- reinforcing UNPROFOR so that more troops are available to protect the aid routes.

The European Council consequently invites the Council to adopt detailed provisions for joint action on the basis of the above, while maintaining close co-ordination with the United Nations.

**DECISION TAKEN BY COMMON AGREEMENT**  
**between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States,**  
**meeting at Head of State and Government level,**  
**on the location of the seats of certain**  
**bodies and departments of the European Communities**

The Representatives of the Member States, meeting at Head of State and Government level,

Having regard to Article 216 of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, Article 77 of the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community and Article 189 of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1210/90 of 7 May 1990 on the establishment of the European Environment Agency and the European environment information and observation network, and in particular Article 21 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1360/90 of 7 May 1990 establishing a European Training Foundation, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Having regard to the Decision of 18 December 1991 under which the Commission approved the establishment of the Office for Veterinary and Plant-Health Inspection and Control,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 302/93 of 8 February 1993 on the establishment of a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2309/93 of 22 July 1993 establishing a European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products,

Whereas, further to the action programme adopted by the Commission on 20 November 1989 relating to the implementation of the Community Charter of the Fundamental Social Rights of Workers, the European Council made provision for creating the Agency for Health and Safety at Work;

Whereas the Treaty on European Union, which was signed on 7 February 1992 and will enter into force on 1 November 1993, provides for the establishment of the European Monetary Institute and the European Central Bank;

Whereas the institutions of the European Communities envisage the establishment of an Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (trade marks, designs and models);

Whereas, further to the conclusions of the Maastricht European Council, the Member States envisage concluding a Convention on Europol (European Police Office), which will create Europol and also replace the ministerial agreement of 2 June 1993, which set up the Europol Drugs Unit;

Whereas the location of the seats of these different bodies and departments should be determined;

Recalling the Decisions of 8 April 1965 and 12 December 1992,

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

- (a) The European Environment Agency shall have its seat at Copenhagen;
- (b) The European Training Foundation shall have its seat at Turin;
- (c) The Office for Veterinary and Plant-Health Inspection and Control shall have its seat in a town in Ireland to be determined by the Irish Government;
- (d) The European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction shall have its seat at Lisbon;
- (e) The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products shall have its seat at London;
- (f) The Agency for Health and Safety at Work shall have its seat in Spain, in a town to be determined by the Spanish Government;
- (g) The European Monetary Institute and the future European Central Bank shall have their seat at Frankfurt;
- (h) The Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (trade marks, designs and models), including its Board of Appeal, shall have its seat in Spain, in a town to be determined by the Spanish Government;
- (i) Europol, and the Europol Drugs Unit, shall have their seat at The Hague.

Article 2

This Decision, which will be published in the Official Journal of the European Communities, shall enter into force on this day.

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## DECLARATIONS

When adopting the above Decision on 29 October 1993, the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States adopted the following declarations by common agreement:

- Under Council Regulation No 337/75 of 10 February 1975, which was adopted unanimously by the Council on a proposal from the Commission and after consulting the European Parliament, the seat of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training was located in Berlin. The Representatives of the Governments of the Member States call upon the institutions of the European Community to provide that that seat shall be determined, as soon as possible, in Thessaloniki.

The Commission stated that it was willing to submit a proposal to that effect in the very near future.

- A Translation Centre for the bodies of the Union will be set up within the Commission's Translation Departments located in Luxembourg and will provide the necessary translation services for the operation of the bodies and departments whose seats have been determined by the above Decision of 29 October 1993, with the exception of the translators of the European Monetary Institute.
- The Member States undertake to support the candidacy of Luxembourg as seat of the Common Appeal Court for Community patents as provided for in the Protocol on the Settlement of Litigation concerning the Infringement and validity of Community Patents annexed to the Community Patent Agreement of 15 December 1989.

At the Conference of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States the Commission confirmed that it intends to consolidate the establishment of those of its departments that are located in Luxembourg.

Finally, the Member States noted that budgetary resources are available to enable the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions in Dublin to perform a number of new tasks.

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