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**Interpretative Statement by the European Union on the
Decision on the Agenda, Timetable and Organizational
Modalities of the 2008 Follow up OSCE Conference on
Public-Private Partnership in Countering Terrorism**

The European Union would like to make the following interpretative statement under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the OSCE Rules of Procedure.

The European Union has joined consensus on this decision on the basis of its interpretation of the provisions on registration and participation, i.e. that, in accordance with Helsinki principles and established practice, NGOs are not excluded from registering directly with the OSCE and participating in their own right in this conference.

We ask that this statement be attached to the decision adopted and included as an annex to the journal of the day.

La Turquie, la Croatie* et l'ancienne République yougoslave de Macédoine*,
pays candidats, l'Albanie, la Bosnie et Herzégovine, le Monténégro et la Serbie,

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pays du processus de stabilisation et d'association et candidats potentiels, ainsi que l'Ukraine et la Géorgie se rallient à cette déclaration.

*La Croatie et l'ancienne République yougoslave de Macédoine continuent à participer au processus de stabilisation et d'association.

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