



Resolution on the Croatian and Bulgarian accession to the EU

Acknowledging that:

- Bulgaria and Croatia share the same values of democracy and freedom as the EU,

Recognizing that :

- ever since their liberation from communism Croatia and Bulgaria have desired to fulfill the demands required for accession to the EU

-a lot of efforts have been made so far by the two countries in their political and economic systems to be prepared for becoming an EU member.

-Bulgaria and Croatia support each other's efforts to join the EU at the earliest date possible.

-Bulgaria stands ready to help Croatia in the negotiation process with its know-how, experience and other information

-the path of Bulgaria and Croatia towards the eu should serve as an example for the neighbouring countries in order to ensure a peaceful, prosperous, stable and safe future for the citizens of those countries.

-the EU recognizes that if our wish is to have a united Europe it is important that the last big enlargement does not discourage us from our common goal: a propitious future without conflict for all our children within a united Europe.

THE YOUTH OF THE EUROPEAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (YEPP):

-Calls for the respective European authorities to accelerate, as much as possible, the process of integration of Bulgaria and Croatia in the EU.

-supports all the efforts that Bulgaria and Croatia have done preparing for accession to the EU. They made a big step forward and with satisfaction we look forward to the end of their respective paths towards the EU.

-believes that Croatia is able to finish the negotiations in a short period of time to be ready for membership in 2007.

-believes that the other countries in the region are going to follow the Bulgarian and Croatian way toward the EU.

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