(Acts adopted pursuant to Title V of the Treaty on European Union)

COUNCIL JOINT ACTION

of 18 February 2002

extending the mandate of the Special Representative of the European Union in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

(2002/129/CFSP)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 14 and Article 18(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 29 October 2001, the Council adopted Joint Action 2001/760/CFSP (¹) appointing Alain Le Roy as the Special Representative of the European Union in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) with a view, in particular, to establishing and maintaining close contact with the government of the FYROM and with the parties involved in the political process and to offer the European Union's advice and facilitation in the political process. The said Joint Action expires on 28 February 2002.
- (2) On 28 January 2002, the Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Representative.
- (3) In accordance with the guidelines on appointing procedure and administrative arrangements of EU Special Representatives adopted by the Council on 30 March 2000, Member States' and the Commission's missions

can provide on request from their own resources appropriate and reasonable support to the mission of the Special Representative,

HAS ADOPTED THIS JOINT ACTION:

Article 1

Joint Action 2001/760/CFSP is hereby extended until 30 June 2002.

Article 2

This Joint Action shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Brussels, 18 February 2002.

For the Council
The President
J. PIQUÉ I CAMPS