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COUNCIL

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION FYROM/2/2003

of 10 March 2003

on the acceptance of third States contributions to the European Union military operation in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

(2003/497/CFSP)

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 25, last paragraph, thereof,

Having regard to the Council Joint Action 2003/92/CFSP of 27 January 2003 on the European Union Military Operation in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 8(2) and (3), thereof on the participation of third States,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 8(1) of the Joint Action provides that
- the non-EU European NATO members shall participate in the operation if they so wish,
 - countries which have been invited by the Copenhagen European Council to become Member States are invited to participate in the operation, in accordance with the agreed modalities,
 - potential partners may also be invited to participate in the operation.
- (2) Under Article 8 of the Joint Action, the Council authorised the PSC to take, upon recommendation of the Operation Commander and the EU Military Committee, the relevant decisions on acceptance of the proposed contributions.
- (3) Upon request of the PSC and the tasking by the EUMC, the EU Operation Commander and EU Force Commander have conducted the Force Generation and Manning Conferences.

- (4) The EUMC agreed on 6 March 2003 to the recommendation of the Operation Commander on third States contributions and submitted to the PSC on 6 March its recommendation to accept these third States contributions,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Third States contributions

Following Force Generation and Manning Conferences contributions from the following third States are accepted for the EU operation in FYROM:

Bulgaria
 Canada
 Czech Republic
 Estonia
 Iceland
 Latvia
 Lithuania
 Norway
 Poland
 Romania
 Slovakia
 Slovenia
 Turkey.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 34, 11.2.2003, p. 26.

*Article 2***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 10 March 2003.

For the Political and Security Committee

The Chairperson

T. PARASKEVOPOULOS
