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Denmark has ratified the Treaty of Accession

Dear Colleague,

I would like to inform you that Denmark has completed the ratification process of the Treaty of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia to the European Union.

On June 4th, the Danish Parliament passed Law L 222 (Law on the enlargement of the European Union). Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II subsequently signed the Law into force on June 10th, while the Danish instrument of ratification is now being deposited in Rome.

Seven parties (Liberals, Social Democrats, Conservatives, Socialist People's Party, Social Liberals, Unity List - Red-Green Alliance and Christian People's Party) comprising 153 seats in Parliament voted yes, while one party (Danish Peoples Party) comprising 22 seats in Parliament abstained from voting.

With the successful passage and signing of the Law, has Denmark become the first Member State to ratify the Treaty of Accession.

Sincerely yours,

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Claus Larsen Jensen



**HUNGARIAN NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY**
**Committee on European
Integration Affairs**
Chairman

24 June 2003, Budapest

Folketinget
Claus Larsen-Jensen
Chairman of the European Affairs Committee

Copenhagen


Dear Mr Chairman,

I am very pleased to hear that the Danish Parliament has successfully passed the Law on the enlargement of the European Union. The ratification of the Treaty of Accession by Denmark gives fresh impetus to the other Member States.

There is no doubt that Denmark played a determinant role in finishing the enlargement process, as the accession negotiations were completed in Copenhagen last December. We appreciate very much the efforts of the Danish Presidency to solve the most crucial and sensitive problems at the end of last year.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for all your support in the preparation process of Hungary for the EU membership I hope that our fruitful cooperation will remain the same in the future in the European Union.

Sincerely yours,


István Szent-Iványi

**PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC
THE SENATE**

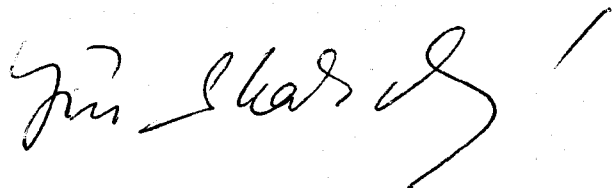
**JÍŘÍ SKALICKÝ
CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE
ON EUROPEAN INTEGRATION**

June 25th, 2003

Dear Mr. Chairman,

Thank you for your letter of 13th June 2003 relating to the successful passage and signing of the Accession Treaty in Denmark. This step has its historic significance reminding us that your country raised important impetus leading to clearly defined process of accession negotiations, and, moreover, that was your country that brought this process to "final landing" during Copenhagen summit in 2002. We appreciate this crucial contribution of Denmark for development of European integration, and thus we perceive your early ratification as a symbolic completion of Danish efforts to reunite the European continent without iron curtains and artificial barriers.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Claus Larsen Jensen
Chairman of the European Affairs Committee
Folketinget

**AMBASSADOR
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**
Marie Košťálová

Copenhagen, June 19, 2003

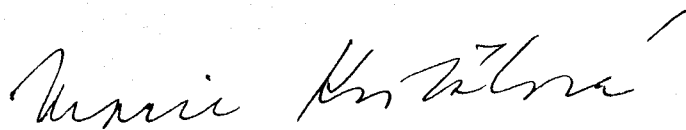
Dear Mr. Chairman,

It gave me a great pleasure to hear that the process of ratification of the EU Accession Treaty has been finished in Denmark last week. I would like to thank to members of Folketinget for so prompt approval of the Treaty and especially to you and your Committee for everything you have done for success of the EU enlargement. I hope that other EU member states will follow this Danish example of immediate action. I am glad that also in my country the EU referendum was successful and that in one year we would be colleagues in enlarged Europe.

I would like to thank you once more and to wish you very nice summer holiday, every success in your responsible work in the Parliament and also a lot of happiness in your private life.

With best regards,

Yours,



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SENATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND
FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND EUROPEAN
INTEGRATION COMMITTEE

Warszawa, June 27, 2003

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H. E. Mr. Claus Larsen Jensen
Chairman of European Affairs
Committee
Parliament of Denmark

Dear Mr. Chairman,

I have the honor to thank you for your kind letter with the information that the Folketing has completed the ratification process of the Treaty of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia to the European Union.

I very much appreciate that the Parliament of Denmark, as the first Member State, with the great majority, expressed its support for the enlargement of the European Union. The will of the deputies was thus a confirmation of one of the main goals of the Danish EU Presidency, which was the continuation of the process of enlargement and creating the foundation for Europe's common future.

Let me also avail of this opportunity and thank you for the fruitful cooperation we have had with your Parliament. I and the members of the Committee of Foreign Affairs and European Integration appreciate it very much.

Please accept, Mr. Chairman, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours

Genowefa Grabowska
Chairwoman



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Józef Oleksy

Warsaw, July 3, 2003

Mr. Claus Larsen Jensen

Chairman
of the European Affairs Committee
Parliament of Denmark
Copenhagen

Dear Colleague,

I have received your letter of June 13, 2003 with information about ratification of the Accession Treaty by Denmark. It gives me a pleasure to hear that Denmark is the first Member State that ratify the treaty.

May I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for all efforts done by your country and you personally for the enlargement of the EU.

Yours sincerely,



Matthias Wissmann

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3. Juli 2003

Dear Colleague,

thank you very much for your letter of 13 June 2003 on the Danish ratification of the Treaty of Accession of ten new Member States to the European Union. Dr. Friedbert Pflüger, my predecessor, has forwarded your letter to me as the current chairman of the Committee on the Affairs of the European Union.

Your letter brings good news indeed and I would like to congratulate you and the Folketinget very much on this speedy process of ratification! This swiftness and the result itself will undoubtedly send a very positive signal to the acceding countries.

The German Bundestag and especially the Committee on the Affairs of the European Union have not dragged their feet either: It is my pleasure to inform you that after yesterdays final deliberation in the Committees, the Bundestag has today ratified the same Treaty with a vast majority, very close to unanimity.

Germany being a federal Republic, the ratification process will continue in the upper chamber, on 11 July. It is my conviction that the Bundesrat will apply the same swiftness in its proceedings so that the parliamentary part of ratification can be completed before the summer recess.

Sincerely yours,

(Matthias Wissmann, MdB)

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20th June 2003

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Ref: EUU 220

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter to Mr. Bernard Durkan T.D. concerning the recent ratification of the Treaty of Accession by the Danish Parliament.

I have passed the letter to Mr. Gay Mitchell T.D. who has succeeded Mr. Durkan as Chairman of the Joint Committee on European Affairs of the Irish Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

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Jim Mulkerrins
Clerk to the Committee