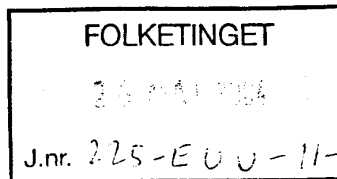


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NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia in Copenhagen presents its compliments to the Folketing of the Kingdom of Denmark and has the honor to forward the original letter of Ms. Karolina Ristova, President of the European Affairs Committee at the Assembly of the Republic of Macedonia, addressed to Hr. Claus Larsen – Jensen, Chairman of the European Affairs Committee at the Folketing.

The Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia in Copenhagen avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Folketing of the Kingdom of Denmark the assurances of its highest consideration.



Copenhagen, May 24, 2004

Folketing of the Kingdom of Denmark
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REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
ASSEMBLY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
European Affairs Committee

Dear Sir,

Skopje, 30 April 2004

I am very pleased to inform you that the Assembly of the Republic of Macedonia has established the European Affairs Committee as a permanent working body to deal with the issues of the parliamentary dimension of the integration of the Republic of Macedonia in the EU. Our committee had its constitutive meeting on 24 November 2003 and it has just started its work.

It is within our competence and, at the same time, it is very important to us, to establish cooperation with the European Affairs Committees of the national parliaments of the EU Member States for the purpose of exchanging experiences, receiving advice and promoting our parliamentary dimension in the process of integrating our country in the EU, especially in light of the Macedonian application for EU membership that has been submitted to the Irish Presidency of the EU on 22 March 2004.

Furthermore, we believe that it is our mutual and legitimate interest to strengthen the role of the national parliaments in the enlargement policy of the EU.

In this context, we do hope that your committee will show interest in cooperating with our committee, and that in the future we could consider the possibility for organizing a direct meeting of delegations of our committees.

Sincerely,

President of the Committee
Karolina Ristova

Hr. Claus Larsen - Jensen
Chairman of the European Affairs Committee
Folketing,
Copenhagen
Denmark