

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Ms. Elisabeth Arnold Chairperson of the European Affairs Committee Folketinget Christiansborg, DK - 1240 Cøpenhagen Denmark

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## Dear Ms. Arnold,

The National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria and our Standing Committee on European Integration are strongly involved in the implementation of the commitments concerning the Bulgarian accession to the EU. We hope that this process will be finalized successfully and Bulgaria will join the EU on 1 January 2007.

An important part of the process is the ratification of the Treaty of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU. Some National Parliaments in the EU Member-States have already ratified the Treaty. We strongly believe that Denmark will be among the countries which will implement the ratification procedure without delay. We shall be very grateful if, in this important for Bulgaria moment, the European Affairs Committee of the Danish Parliament gives its support to the timely ratification of the Treaty.

Our Committee on European Integration has another important task- to get prepared for the new functions it will have after the accession. Therefore I and my colleagues have the pleasure of inviting You and members of the European Affairs Committee of the Danish Parliament, to visit Bulgaria at Your earliest convenience, so that we have the opportunity to discuss Bulgaria's accession to the EU and the Danish experience in EU affairs.

Please, accept my highest considerations.

Sincerely,

Atanas Paparizov

Chairman of the Committee on

**European Integration**