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NOTE TO THE FULL PARTICIPANTS OF THE EASTERN PARTNERSHIP PANEL "TRADE AND TRADE RELATED REGULATORY APPROXIMATION, LINKED TO DCFTAS"

Subject: Joint decision of the Full Participants of the Eastern Partnership Panel on "Trade and Trade Related Regulatory Approximation, linked to DCFTAs" (Trade Panel) to invite Business Europe and Eurochambres to the meeting of the Trade Panel on the 25th-26th November 2010 as ad hoc participants.

This is a written procedure according to the General Guidelines and Rules of Procedure of the Eastern Partnership Multilateral Platforms adopted in Brussels on the 5th of June 2009. These guidelines provide the platforms with the possibility to take decisions in a written procedure between meetings.

According to the General Guidelines and Rules of Procedure of the Eastern Partnership Multilateral Platforms, ad hoc participants are eligible to participate on a case-by-case basis in specific meetings, projects and activities.

Business Europe and Eurochambres can productively contribute to the discussion on the Trade Panel on business to business and business to government contacts. Business Europe's and Eurochambres' views with regard to how to best organise these contacts involving EU organisations and organisations from Partner Countries would be a valuable contribution to the work of the Panel.

A Decision of the Eastern Partnership Panel on "Trade and Trade Related Regulatory Approximation, linked to DCFTAs" to invite Business Europe and Eurochambres as ad hoc participants to the meeting on the 25th-26th November is requested by way of written procedure.

The deadline expires on the 18th November 2010 at 12.00 noon.

The absence of a response will be regarded as a favourable opinion.

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