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**Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union
on the admission of the FRY to the United Nations**

The European Union very much welcomes the United Nations General Assembly's adoption of Resolution 55/12, admitting the FRY to the United Nations.

Admission confirms the FRY's full compliance with the principles and values embodied in the United Nations Charter. It illustrates the determination of President Kostunica and the Yugoslav people to break with the dead-end policy conducted by the Milosevic regime. It testifies to the unanimous support of the international community.

The admission of the FRY to the United Nations marks a vital stage in the full reintegration of the FRY into the international community and an important step towards reconciliation, stability and peace in the region.

The European Union, which has been resolutely involved in the FRY's admission to the United Nations, addresses its warmest congratulations to President Kostunica and the Yugoslav people on this occasion. It is pleased that it can now work closely with the FRY in the United Nations on all subjects of common interest.

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The Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union, the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, and the EFTA countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area align themselves with this declaration.
