



**COUNCIL OF
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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on a Community position in the Joint Committee on the implementation of Article 66 of the Euro-Mediterranean Interim Association Agreement on trade and cooperation between the European Community, of the one part, and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, of the other part

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of the Euro-Mediterranean Interim Association Agreement
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and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)
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of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, of the other part**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 300(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) The Euro-Mediterranean Interim Association Agreement on trade and cooperation between the European Community, of the one part, and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, of the other part¹ (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), was signed in Brussels on 24 February 1997 and entered into force on 1 July 1997.
- (2) Article 66 of the Agreement provides for the setting up of committees ("subcommittees") to assist the Joint Committee, established under Article 63 of the Agreement, in carrying out its duties,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Community position in the Joint Committee on the implementation of Article 66 of the Euro-Mediterranean Interim Association Agreement on trade and cooperation between the European Community, of the one part, and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, of the other part, shall be based on the draft Decision of the Joint Committee attached to this Decision*.

¹ OJ L 187, 16.7.1997, p. 3.

* See document CE-OLP 4251/08.

Article 2

The Commission, assisted by the representatives of the Member States, shall represent the Community in the four subcommittees, established by the draft Decision of the Joint Committee referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

This Decision shall take effect on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President
