

## RESOLUTION ON JOINING EUROPEAN UNION

In order to confirm the intentions of Republic of Serbia to build a democratic society, based on the rule of law and respect of the human and minority rights, principles of market economy, and to build efficient state institutions according to the criteria for accessing European Union, established by the European Council in Copenhagen in 1993;

Confirming the full intention of Republic of Serbia to implement the Constitution of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro and decisiveness in building a functional state community;

Having in mind expressed inclination of citizens of Serbia, and already achieved political consensus on the access of the Republic of Serbia to European Union as an undeniable strategic goal;

Confirming the decisiveness of Republic of Serbia to ( according to its authorities,) fulfill the obligations taken by Declaration at the EU summit – West Balkans, held on June 21. 2003. , and the Thessaloniki Agenda for the West Balkans: Journey to European Integration;

Emphasizing the wish of Republic of Serbia to make an active contribution to the international community and European Union efforts in achieving political stability and long-term peace in South – Eastern Europe;

Sharing principles, values and goals that the European Union is based upon, and concerning the historical and cultural characteristics of Republic of Serbia;

Saluting the historical expand of the European Union from May 1 2004., that has put an end to political, military, economic and ideological separation of Europe;

Starting from the 49. article of the Treaty on European Union (The Amsterdam Treaty), concerning the procedure and conditions of access of the state that has applied for membership in the European Union;  
The Public Assembly of the Republic of Serbia adopts:

## THE RESOLUTION

Public Assembly of the Republic of Serbia

1. Confirms that the faster access of the Republic of Serbia, as a member state of Serbia and Montenegro state union, with full membership to European Union and accessing Partnership for Peace, is a strategic national goal, that will be fully and constantly supported by the National Assembly of Republic of Serbia.
2. Declares that it is fully prepared:
  - to fulfill all the preconditions necessary to speed up the integration into the European Union;
  - to respect human rights and minority rights;
  - to fulfill all international obligations of Republic of Serbia and firmly support the decision that all persons suspected to have committed a crime during military conflicts in the period from 1991. till 2000. in the territory of former SFRY face justice according to legal regulations and accepted international obligations;
  - for a permanent and constructive cooperation deriving from the membership in the Council of Europe and Organization for Safety and Cooperation in Europe,
  - further development and improvement of all kinds of regional cooperation, regional initiatives and cooperation with neighbor states.
3. Indicates the necessity of more efficient work of federal organs of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro and forming of all necessary institutions, and strengthening of cooperation with the European Union.
4. Accepts the obligation that harmonization of the laws of Republic of Serbia with the *aquis communautaire* of the European Union will be a priority in the

work of National assembly of Republic of Serbia, including the introduction of special procedures to improve the efficiency of this process.

5. Expects from the Government of Republic of Serbia to inform the Public Assembly of Republic of Serbia, once in a three months period, about planned and fulfilled obligations and realization of all programs and other activities necessary to speed up the process of Serbia and Montenegro joining European Union.
6. Requests from the Government of the Republic of Serbia to create in as short notice as possible a national strategy of Serbia for Serbia and Montenegro to join the European Union and to conduct measurements to speed up the harmonization of the laws of Serbia with *aquis communautaire* of the European Union
7. Accepts the obligation to develop and improve the cooperation with the European parliament , the parliaments of member states, parliaments of states candidates for joining the European Union, and parliaments of states included in the Process of stabilization and joining.
8. Accepts the obligation to make active contribution to spreading European values and introducing the Serbian public with the importance of our country accessing the European Union.
9. Invites all political parties, non governmental organizations, syndicates, employers associations, religious communities, media and all citizens of Serbia to join the effort of speeding up the process of joining in all the areas of legal, executive and judicial power, together with any other free social activities.
10. This resolution is to be published in the “*Službeni glasnik Republike Srbije*”