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Dear Mr Fayot,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Conference of European Integration Parliamentary Committees of Countries participating in the Stabilization and Association Process of South-East Europe was held on 17 and 18 June 2005 in Sarajevo, in accordance with the recommendations from the European Union Summit, held in Thessaloniki in June 2003.

It was the first meeting of the Committees, where the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for European Integration / Affairs of the countries participating in the Stabilization and Association Process – Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro – COSAP was established as a body for cooperation and exchange of views concerning the Stabilization and Association Process, EU membership agenda of the countries in the Process and the EU enlargement process.

At this first meeting we adopted the Rules of Procedure of our Conference – COSAP, as a framework for future work and cooperation.

Our wish is to deepen our regional cooperation through the Conference and to contribute to success of the Stabilization and Association Process, as well as to enhance our cooperation with the European Union, COSAC, Parliaments of States Members of the European Union and the European Parliament. **In particular we would like to ask you for instruction with a view of applying for the assignment to our Conference of a special status in the COSAC**, in accordance with the Thessaloniki Agenda of June 2003.

Enclosed, please find the Rules of Procedure of the COSAP Conference, Joint Statement of the Committees' Chairpersons and Conclusions.

We would like to kindly ask you to contact us at the phone number +38733713690, fax +38733233480, e-mail: [sena.bajraktarevic@parlament.ba](mailto:sena.bajraktarevic@parlament.ba).

Sincerely,

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of the Joint Committee for European Integration  
of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Mr Ben FAYOT**  
**Chairman of the Committee for Foreign and European Affairs,**  
**for Defense, for Cooperation and for Immigration**  
**Parliament of Luxembourg**



Dear Ms. Leho,

Let me first thank you for taking the initiative of informing the Presidency of the COSAC of the creation of the COSAP.

It was a pleasure for me to hear that the parliaments of the countries participating in the Stabilization and Association Process of South-East Europe have decided to cooperate on an interparliamentary level and follow the example given by the COSAC.

As you probably know, article 4.3 of COSAC's rules of procedure on observers, specialists and special guests states that: "The Presidency may invite observers from the embassies of the Member States of the European Union, and, after consulting the Presidential Troika, specialists and special guests".

The question of the interpretation of article 4.3 will be debated by the COSAC Chairpersons at their next meeting on 18 July in London. The UK Presidency will inform you on the outcome of that meeting.

Sincerely,

Ben Fayot  
Chairperson of the Committee for Foreign and European Affairs,  
for Defence, for Cooperation and for Immigration