

AGREEMENT**between the European Union and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on the activities of the European Union Monitoring Mission (EUMM) in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia**

THE EUROPEAN UNION,

on the one hand

and

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA,

hereinafter called the

Host Party, on the other hand,

Together hereinafter called the Participating Parties,

Taking into account

- the presence of the European Community Monitor Mission (ECMM) in the western Balkans since 1991,
- the offer of the European Union and its Member States to organise a European Union Monitoring Mission (EUMM) in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the acceptance by the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia of that offer,
- the adoption by the Council of the European Union on the 22 December 2000 of Joint Action 2000/811/CFSP on the European Union Monitoring Mission, transforming ECMM into EUMM, as an instrument of the European Union's Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), building on previous initiatives, to contribute to the effective formulation of European Union policy towards the western Balkans,

HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDINGS:

*Article I***Mandate**

1. The European Union Monitoring Mission, hereinafter referred to as 'EUMM', formerly established in the region as the European Community Monitor Mission (ECMM), with its headquarters at present in Sarajevo, shall establish a mission office in Belgrade and such other offices in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia as may be decided by the Head of Mission, in consultation and agreement with the Host Party, in order to contribute to the effective formulation of the European Union's policy towards the western Balkans.

The EUMM shall in particular:

- (a) monitor political and security developments in the area of responsibility;
- (b) give particular attention to border monitoring, inter-ethnic issues and refugee return;
- (c) provide analytical reports on the basis of tasking received;
- (d) contribute to the early warning of the Council and to confidence building, in the context of the policy of stabilisation conducted by the European Union in the region.

2. The Host Party shall provide the EUMM with all information and shall extend full cooperation as necessary for the accomplishment of the EUMM's objectives. The Host Party may appoint a liaison officer to the EUMM.

*Article II***Status**

1. The Host Party shall take all necessary measures for the protection, safety and security of the EUMM and its members. Any specific provisions, proposed by the Host Party, shall be agreed with the Head of Mission before implementation.

2. For the purpose of conducting its activities, the EUMM and its personnel shall enjoy, together with its means of transport and equipment, freedom of movement, necessary for carrying out the mandate of the Mission.

3. When conducting its activities, the personnel of the EUMM may be accompanied by an interpreter and, at the request of the EUMM, by an escort officer appointed by the Host Party.

4. The EUMM may display the flag of the European Union on its Mission Office in Belgrade, and otherwise as decided by the Head of Mission.

5. Vehicles, and other means of transport of the EUMM shall carry a distinctive Mission identification, which shall be notified to the relevant authorities.

*Article III***Composition**

1. The Head of Mission of the EUMM shall be appointed by the Council of the European Union.