

APPENDIX 2:

European Council Conclusions on a List of Concrete Measures with regard to the Implications of the Terrorist Threat on the Non-Proliferation, Disarmament and Arms Control Policy of the EU

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The Council adopted the following conclusions on a list of concrete measures with regard to the implications of the terrorist threat on the non-proliferation, disarmament and arms control policy of the European Union:

“At its extraordinary meeting on 21 September 2001, the European Council declared that terrorism is a real challenge to the world and to Europe and that the fight against terrorism will be a priority objective of the European Union.

In pursuing this priority objective, on 10 December 2001 the foreign ministers of the European Union launched a targeted initiative to respond effectively in the field of non-proliferation, disarmament and arms control to the international threat of terrorism, which focuses on multilateral instruments, export controls, international co-operation and political dialogue.

In implementing this targeted initiative the Council today adopts the following list of concrete measures:

CHAPTER I - Multilateral instruments

A. Support all activities related to the universalisation of existing multilateral instruments (i.a. CWC, BTWC, Geneva Protocol, NPT, CTBT, CCW and Ottawa Convention)

The EU as such and its Member States will:

1. Promote, at a political level, universal adherence to instruments relating to weapons of mass destruction (BTWC, CWC, Geneva Protocol, NPT, CTBT, Safeguards Agreements and Additional Protocols with the IAEA, CPPNM);
2. Lobby for the withdrawal of all relevant reservations on the Geneva Protocol;
3. Act at a political level in view of reaching a wider adherence and effective implementation of other relevant instruments in the field of conventional weapons.

B. Work for the effective implementation of the international instruments as well as political commitments world-wide

The EU as such and its Member States will promote:

1. Compliance with obligations and commitments under the international instruments as agreed by the States Parties, including - where the international instruments provide for- the