

EPP CONGRATULATES SARKOZY ON EXCELLENT EU PRESIDENCY

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EPP President, **Wilfried Martens**, has welcomed today's statement by French President Nicolas Sarkozy in the European Parliament and congratulated him on the « excellent EU Presidency which is now drawing to a close ».

"Over the last six months, Mr. Sarkozy has given extraordinary impetus to the European project. Thanks to his strong leadership, EU member states are now coordinating their response to the economic crisis. They have also adopted new measures to fight climate change and have approved an important reform to the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)," said Martens.

"I am very proud to see that politicians who are part of the EPP political family are always leading the work of the EU in favour of the citizens. I hope that the Czech Presidency will also follow this path," he concluded.

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