

EPP CALLS ON THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT TO RESIGN IMMEDIATELY

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The EPP adopted today a resolution on the situation in Hungary and called on the Hungarian government to resign immediately. This is the complete text of the resolution:

◆The EPP Political Bureau, gathering in Brussels on 19 September 2006:

- expresses its shock about the recently published statements of the Socialist Hungarian Prime Minister, in which he told the members of his parliamentary group that he and his government lied to the Hungarian citizens for years;

- stresses that the recently elected Hungarian government with these statements has lost all credibility and political legitimacy because it was elected on the basis of blatant and organized political lies;

- considers the political lies made by the Prime Minister and his government not only as an attack on the moral foundations of democratic institutions of Hungary but as an attack on fundamental European values causing enormous damage to the credibility of our democratic societies as a whole;

- calls on the Hungarian government to resign immediately;

- calls on the Hungarian Socialist Party and its liberal partner to withdraw their support from the Prime Minister and the government, paving the way for new elections in order to restore the trust of the Hungarian citizens in the democratic institutions;

- invites the Party of European Socialists to take a position on this serious matter ◆

RESOLUTIONS ON TERRORISM AND MEXICO

The EPP Political Bureau also adopted today two resolutions on terrorism in Spain and on the situation in Mexico. Please find the complete texts in the attachments.

EPP ELECTS ITS SECRETARY OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS

In addition, the EPP elected today **Kostas Sasmatzoglou** as its ◆Secretary of External Relations". He has been elected for a term of three years and will be responsible for EPP ◆s relations with countries and parties beyond the European Union (EU). The CV of **Mr. Sasmatzoglou** is available in attachment.

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