

**Resolution about the parliamentary control
of the common security and defence policy (CSDP)**

The French Senate,

Considering that the denunciation of the Western European Union (WEU) Treaty would bring about the suppression of the assembly of WEU, that is the only institutionalized organization where national parliaments from the twenty-seven member States of the European Union have the opportunity to meet regularly in order to discuss in common European defence's issues;

– Judges that the disappearance of the assembly of WEU must be subordinate to the establishment of an organization that would gather parliamentarians specialized in defence issues from the twenty-seven member states (that is members from the national committees in charge of defence issues), or at least of those of the twenty-seven member states that are willing to participate in it. This organization must be flexible and could be conceived on the organic model of the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the European Union, COSAC (six parliamentarians per member state at the most ; one meeting per semester ; presence of six members from the European Parliament). The setting up and the secretaryship of this organization should be the concern of the national parliaments, on a rota system, on the basis of one meeting per semester.

– Considers that, in the event that this initiative would not interest all the parliaments of the twenty-seven member states, it could be carried out in the framework of a cooperation gathering the most motivated of the national parliaments, on a voluntary basis. The six-monthly meeting would be then organized, on a rota system, in one of the national parliaments taking part in this cooperation.