Folketinget

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Language regime at EU Speakers' Conference in Copenhagen 2006

Dear Secretary General, dear Colleague,

The Danish host of the next EU Speakers' Conference held in Copenhagen 29 June – 2 July 2006 will continue the language regime which was adapted in Budapest on the 11 February 2005 and practiced at the last meeting in Budapest on the 6-7 May 2005. The Hungarian hosts handled the new language regime with great success. Allow us in the Danish Parliament to copy the Hungarians!

This means that English and French will be technical base languages at the EU Speakers' Conference in Copenhagen. As in Budapest parliaments/chambers have three options regarding interpretation:

- 1. To bring own interpreters (at least 2 highly qualified interpreters who can translate to and from the technical base languages).
- 2. To speak one of the technical base languages (all parliaments using these languages share the costs).
- 3. To ask the host parliament to organize interpreters to one of the other EU languages. The inquirer covers the costs.

The technical facilities of the interpretation are provided and covered by the host parliament.

Yours sincerely,

Henrik Tvarnø

Please fill out the enclosed form and return to Winnie.Rutkjaer@ft.dk no later than 15 January 2006.

EU Speakers' Conference in Copenhagen, 29 June – 2 July 2006

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Language required: Language

<u>Interpretation</u>

Chamber: Chamber

1. We bring our own interpreters

2. We choose to speak one of the two languages (English or French) set up as technical base languages and we will contribute to the cost.

Name and position