



**Assembly of Western European Union
The Interparliamentary European Security and Defence Assembly**

**Colloquy
on**

**“Europe and the new United States’ national security strategy
– fighting terrorism together”**

co-hosted by the WEU Assembly and the Greek WEU/EU Presidency

Athens, 17-18 March 2003

*Programme
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Monday 17 March 2003

Venue: *Divani Apollon Palace Hotel
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12.30: Inauguration of the Colloquy

- Mr Apostolos Kaklamanis, President of the Hellenic Parliament
- Mr Jan Dirk Blaauw, President of the WEU Assembly
- Mr Theodoros Pangalos, Chairman of the Greek Delegation to the WEU Assembly

13.30-15.15: Lunch

15.15: Opening Session

Chairman: Mr Jan Dirk Blaauw, President of the Assembly

Keynote speech: Mr George Papandreou, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece

The US new national security strategy

- Mr Lluís Maria de Puig, Rapporteur

16.15: First Session

Chairman: Mr Karolos Papoulias, Chairman of the Standing Committee on National Defence and Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Parliament

Consequences for global security

Speakers:

- Mr Ivan Eland, Director of the Center for the Study of War, Crises and Liberty, the Independent Institute, Oakland (California), US
- Mr Vladimir Lukin, Deputy Speaker, State Duma of the Russian Federation (to be confirmed)

Debate

Tuesday 18 March 2003

09.30: Second Session

Chairman: Mr Martínez Casañ, Chairman of the Political Committee

The consequences for NATO and transatlantic cooperation

Speakers:

- H.E. Mr Thomas J. Miller, Ambassador of the United States to Greece, Athens
- Mr Mario Palombo, Vice-President of NATO Parliamentary Assembly
- Mr William Hopkinson, Associate Fellow, Royal Institute for International Affairs and Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies, UK

Debate

11.15: Third Session

Chairman: Mr John Wilkinson, Chairman of the Defence Committee

Prospects for CFSP/ESDP

Speakers:

- Mr Yannis Papantoniou, Minister for Defence of Greece
- Mr Pascal Boniface, Director of the Institute for International and Strategic Relations, France

- Mr Anatol Lieven, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, US
- Mr Jozias J. van Aartsen, Member of the Second Chamber of the States General, Former Foreign Minister, The Netherlands

Debate

13.00-14.30: Lunch

15.00-17.00: Fourth session

Chairman: Mr Theodoros Pangalos, Chairman of the Greek Delegation to the WEU Assembly

Common responses to international terrorism and future security challenges

Speakers:

- Mr Michael Chrisohoidis, Minister for Public Order, Greece
- Mr Gustavo Selva, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Chamber of Deputies, Italy
- Mr Ismael Cem, Former Foreign Minister, Turkey

Debate

17.00: Conclusions

- Mr Lluís Maria de Puig, Rapporteur of the WEU Assembly

Closing address by the President of the WEU Assembly

1730: Press Conference