Proceeding from its constitutional competence, as the authority vested with legislative power, and from the principles contained in the Declaration of Independent Republic of Montenegro as of 3 June 2006, which confirmed its strategic priority of an accelerated integration into the European Union and determination to continue to efficiently fulfil the conditions and requirements included in the Copenhagen criteria and the Stabilisation and Association process, as well as its firm commitment to join European and Euro Atlantic-NATO security structures and to continue to contribute to the strengthening of the regional stability and security,

Pursuant to Article 82 subparagraph 3 of the Constitution of Montenegro, at the first sitting of the second ordinary session in 2008, on 3 October 2008, the Parliament of Montenegro has adopted

RESOLUTION

ON THE NECESSITY TO ACCELERATE THE PROCESS OF INTEGRATION OF MONTENEGRO INTO THE EUROPEAN AND EURO-ATLANTIC STRUCTURES

- 1. After regaining its statehood, Montenegro demonstrated that its strategic goal is an accelerated European and Euro-Atlantic integration. Convinced that the achievement of this goal is a basis and a condition to preserve and improve economic and democratic environment, which will intensify capital investments and ensure further economic development, security and the rule of law, Montenegro is hereby also showing its commitment to the achievement of standards that contribute to the strengthening of capacities leading to this goal.
- 2. The state authorities have the duty to fulfil the requirements provided for in the Stabilization and Association Agreement signed with the EU, and in the Partnership for Peace Framework Document, by using all of their resources, in the shortest time possible, to ensure the higher quality of life for all citizens of Montenegro and availability of all values of European civilization through European and Euro-Atlantic integration, as well as to fulfil the strategic priority of membership in the EU and NATO.
- 3. By promoting friendly relationships and regional cooperation, particularly partnership relations with the neighbouring countries, Montenegro demonstrated that it is dedicated to the efforts to resolve all conflicts amicably under the mediation of the international community, and is persistent in its determination to contribute to the regional stability while preserving its internal stability, and ready to accept political reality which is considered important for the regional stability by the EU member states and NATO and to pursue the policy in keeping with its European and Euro-Atlantic orientation. This will also be the basis for Montenegro's orientation on Kosovo.

- 4. Montenegro will continue to adhere to the rights and obligations that arise from its existing arrangements with the European Union, NATO, the United Nations, the Council of Europe and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, as well as other international and regional organizations.
- 5. Montenegro is fully committed to the active fulfilment of its domestic and international obligations and it remains convinced that membership in the European and Euro-Atlantic structures the European Union and NATO is the best framework for the realization of its vital political, economic and security interests.

SU-SK Number 01-840/12 Podgorica, 3 October 2008

PARLIAMENT OF MONTENEGRO
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