



Brussels, March 9th 2006

Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

On behalf of the Members of the House of representatives and the Senate of the Kingdom of Belgium, we wish to extend a cordial invitation to you to attend the 15th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in Brussels, from 3 till 7 July 2006.

Dialogue and mutual understanding have always been major goals for our country's foreign policy. In that strong and old tradition, the unique forum offered by the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly is highly appreciated in Belgium.

From 1994 till 1996, Belgium was very proud to deliver the President to the Assembly, Mr Frank Swaelen, then also President of the Senate! This invigorated the interest for the peace building and democracy strengthening activities of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly.

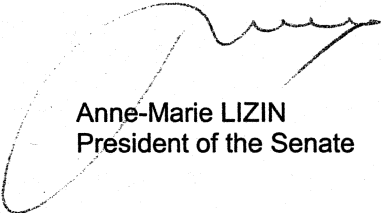
Therefore, it is a great honour for Belgium to host this huge debating forum where the 55 delegations of the Member States focus on topics as vital as human rights, conflict management and establishing benchmarks for young democracies.

The central theme for the Brussels session will be: "Strengthening Human Security in the OSCE region".

Eager to share this exceptional moment of dialogue with you, we look forward to welcoming you and your parliamentary colleagues in Brussels in July as we are convinced that the meaningfulness of the debates will grow proportionally to the number of participants to a session devoted to a topic so precious to the citizens of all our countries. It will also give us the opportunity to offer a sample of the Belgian way of life and of our cultural heritage.

Enclosed you will find practical information that we hope you will find useful in the planning of your participation to this session. Should you find some questions unanswered, please do not hesitate to contact the people in charge as suggested on the information sheets.

With kind regards,



Anne-Marie LIZIN
President of the Senate



Herman DE CROO
President of the House of representatives

Map of Brussels

Legend

1. Brussels-Luxemburg Railway station
2. Radisson SAS EU hotel
3. Renaissance hotel
4. Stanhope hotel
5. Crowne Plaza Brussels Europe
6. European Parliament
7. Federal Parliament

