RESOLUTION
On the Accusations by the Russian Federation
Against the Republic of Latvia

The Baltic Assembly,

noting that lately accusations by a number of senior officials and politicians of the Russian Federation against the Republic of Latvia have assumed an especially threatening form,

stating that these malicious and provocative accusations are unfounded,

condemns the interference of the Russian Federation in the internal affairs of the Republic of Latvia, the economic pressure, and the attempts to generate discord between the Baltic States;

expresses its particular concern about the campaign launched against Latvia by the leaders of a number of regions of Russia, which may have a detrimental effect on the long-term relations between the populations of neighbouring countries in the Baltic Sea area;

declares that the Baltic States reject any manifestations of Neo-Communism and Neo-Nazism in their own and other countries, including Russia;

reiterates the will of the Baltic States to develop good-neighbourly relations with all democratic states, including Russia;

underlines that an unacceptable political reaction and threat to use economic and other measures against neighbouring countries is incompatible with the existing cooperative spirit in the region and, moreover, contradicts principles of the United Nations;

urges that all disputes between the countries should be solved through the constructive dialogue, based on good-neighbourly relations and spirit of openness.

Ventspils, 9 May 1998