STATEMENT

ON THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND GEORGIA

The Baltic Assembly

expresses its deep concern about the deterioration of the relations between Georgia and the Russian Federation and notes that recent statements of the Russian Federation in respect of Georgia have assumed an especially threatening form;

urges all democratic states and international organisations to give an open and clear evaluation of the actions of Russian Federation and express the conviction that such actions of the Russian Federation violate the principles of democracy and human rights and pose a threat to political and economic stability of the region;

expresses its particular concern about the campaign launched against Georgia by the Russian Federation, which may have a detrimental effect on the democratic development, political and economic stability, and welfare of the region;

calls on the Russian Federation to end psychological and political pressure on Georgia;

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

Vilnius, 17 December 2006