APPEAL

REGARDING WORLD EXPO 2010 IN SHANGHAI

The Baltic Assembly,

taking into consideration that World Expo 2010 will take place in the new centre of the global economic development and bring together cities and regions from nearly one hundred countries of the world, that the main theme of World Expo 2010 will be "Better City, Better Life", and that this will allow the Baltic States to share their experience and introduce new development trends;

emphasising the importance and necessity of participation of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania in World Expo 2010 because of their economical and scientific development and in order "to see and to be seen";

understanding that major expenses will be needed due to the holding of World Expo 2010 in a faraway country;

bearing in mind the striving of the Baltic States to improve mutual relationships in different spheres of life as well as the need for a better exhibition and presentation of the development of the whole region,

calls on the Baltic Council of Ministers to develop a common Baltic States' strategy for joint participation of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania in World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.

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