BALTIC ASSEMBLY DECISION

ON THE FUTURE STRUCTURE AND STRATEGY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BALTIC ASSEMBLY

The Baltic Assembly,

evaluating the positive development in the trilateral co-operation of the Baltic States during recent years and the role of the Baltic Assembly in the said process;

emphasising the need for more deep co-ordination of co-operation and the importance of purposefully and effectively organised co-operation of the Baltic States for the Euro-transatlantic integration of these countries;

considering it necessary to continue discussions on the future structure and strategy of activities of the Baltic Assembly,

decides the following:

1) to continue discussions on the structural reforms of the Baltic Assembly;

2) to improve co-operation of the Baltic Assembly and the Baltic Council of Ministers:

a) to approve a one-year presidency of the Baltic Assembly by harmonising the term of presidency of the Baltic Assembly and the Baltic Council of Ministers;

b) to prepare a common future strategy of the Baltic Assembly and the Baltic Council of Ministers which should be revised and amended every year by the presiding country;

3) to begin implementing the adopted Parliamentary Programme on all levels of co-operation;

4) to instruct the Legal Committee to make necessary amendments to the Statute of the Baltic Assembly on the basis of this Decision.

Vilnius, 25 May 2002