BALTIC ASSEMBLY

STATEMENT

On Relations with the Visegrad States

Taking into consideration that the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Latvia and the Republic of Lithuania are seeking a most speedy integration with European and world international organizations, and, through the development of beneficial relations with individual states and regions, are strengthening their political and economic independence and security, the Baltic Assembly, meeting in Jūrmala (Ķemeri) from May 13-15, 1994, is convinced that the development of relations with the Visegrad States corresponds with the national interests of the Baltic States.

The Baltic Assembly considers that political, economic, security and cultural relations between the Baltic and the Visegrad States can stimulate mutually beneficial cooperation.

The Baltic Assembly expresses its approval of the statement made by the Presidents of the Baltic States on March 25, 1994 concerning the intensification of dialogue with the Visegrad States and calls on the Governments of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to seek closer cooperation with the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia.

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Jūrmala (Ķemeri), May 15, 1994