

APPEAL

To the Parliaments of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania on Holding Referenda on Accession to the European Union

Our nations were united in the struggle for the restoration of the independence of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The highlight of this movement was the Baltic Chain in 1989, when more than two million people joined their hands to form a human chain as a demonstration of their common striving for independence. Our cohesion played an important role in the restoration of independence of our states.

Today the Baltic states are successfully conducting negotiations on accession to the European Union.

It would be a symbol of the unity of the Baltic States to hold referenda on the accession of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to the European Union simultaneously.

The Baltic Assembly proposes to the Parliaments of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to consider, in appropriate time, the expediency of holding referenda on accession to the European Union simultaneously.

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