

## **DECLARATION**

### **On the Solidarity of the Baltic States with the International Anti-Terrorist Coalition**

After the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, the world has changed.

In this new situation, the three Baltic states, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, express their solidarity with the international anti-terrorist coalition. The Baltic states wish to make their contribution to the strengthening of peace and security in the Baltic Sea region and all over the world. In this connection, the Baltic Assembly once again expresses the will and readiness of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to accede to international security organisations, first of all, to the North Atlantic Alliance.

Standing up for democratic values, as well as for human rights and the right of nations to self-determination, the Baltic Assembly expresses the conviction that no nation or religion can be considered terroristic because of its individual representatives. At the same time, one has to consistently combat terrorism and organised crime and condemn the political regimes which favour the activities of terrorist organisations, harbour criminals and refuse to cooperate with international and law enforcement agencies. To root out terrorism, the efforts of the entire democratic world must be combined.

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