

RESOLUTION
ON CROSSBORDER CO-OPERATION

The Baltic Assembly,

taking into consideration that all-round co-operation between border territories is of great importance in order to facilitate the daily existence of people and that close regional integration is a vital precondition for the Baltic States in their movement towards accession to the European Union;

having familiarised itself with the “Estla” and “Euroregionas Nemunas” projects and the experience of the BENELUX and Nordic countries in organising crossborder co-operation;

asserting that the development of such co-operation between Estonia and Latvia, and Latvia and Lithuania, is vital in such areas as education, employment, development of infrastructure and environmental protection, and that conditions must be created to increase the responsibility of local authorities in the sphere of crossborder cooperation,

urges the Baltic Council of Ministers to assist in the creation of a legal basis for co-operation of communities and authorities located along the borders.