

*Courtesy translation*

Dear Secretary General, dear Colleague,

Please find enclosed an updated version of the programme for the Conference of the Speakers of the European Union Parliaments which will take place 27-28 February 2009. This version takes into account both the decisions taken during the meeting of the Secretaries-General on 15 December 2008 and the reception to be hosted at the Elysée Palace by Mr. Nicolas SARKOZY, President of the French Republic, on Friday 27 February at 6 pm.

As you will notice the title of the first topic has been modified, the time allotted to the second topic has been extended to two hours and the Friday afternoon break cancelled.

In addition, the time given over to the third topic has been slightly shortened so that delegations may have time to return to their hotels before the cultural evening at the Museum of the Quai Branly.

Each Speaker delivering a report or opening a session will have a maximum of ten minutes. To make the informal session on the morning of Friday 27 February as lively as possible, the Speakers wishing to take part in the debate will have a maximum of two to three minutes to do so. This should allow them the possibility of taking the floor a second time.

We hope to have the pleasure of meeting you again soon.

Yours sincerely.

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