Strasbourg, 14 May 2004

18\textsuperscript{th} GRECO Plenary Meeting
(10-14 May 2004)

DECISIONS
At its 18th plenary meeting (Strasbourg, 10-14 May 2004), the Group of States against corruption (GRECO):

1. adopted the agenda (Greco (2004) OJ18);

Information by the President

2. took note of the information provided by the President, including on the results of the Bureau 24 meeting – Strasbourg, 22-23 April 2004, as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2004) 8E);

Information by the Executive Secretary

3. took note of the information provided by the Executive Secretary as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2004) 8E);

Second Evaluation Round

4. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Poland (Greco Eval II Rep (2003) 6E);

5. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Luxembourg (Greco Eval II Rep (2003) 5E);


7. noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Poland authorise publication of the report mentioned in decision 4 above;

8. invited the authorities of Luxembourg to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the report mentioned in decision 5 above;

9. bearing in mind the Second Round Evaluation Schedule approved by GRECO 17, decided to extend the Second Evaluation Round to end 2005;

First Round Compliance Procedure

10. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Bulgaria (Greco RC-I (2004) 3E);

11. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Germany (Greco RC-I (2004) 1E);

12. invited the delegations of Bulgaria and Germany to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the RC Reports mentioned in decisions 10 and 11 above;

13. took note of the information provided by the representative of Georgia pursuant to Rule 32, para 2, al (i) of the Rules of Procedure, and encouraged the Georgian authorities to pursue their efforts to implement GRECO’s First Round Recommendations in respect of Georgia;

14. invited the Georgian authorities to provide further, updated reports on this matter at its 19th Plenary Meeting and all subsequent Plenaries in 2004, in accordance with decision 12 of GRECO 16 (Greco (2003) 31E);
Observer Status with GRECO

15. decided to postpone its decision on the request by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) for observer status with GRECO to its 19th Plenary Meeting;

Miscellaneous

16. agreed to invite the World Bank and the International Chamber of Commerce to hearings on the occasion of forthcoming Plenary Meetings;

17. entrusted the Bureau to prepare, together with the Secretariat, proposals concerning possible cooperation between GRECO and the OSCE;

Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

18. noted that the Bureau will hold its 25th meeting in Brussels on 7-8 June 2004;

19. decided to hold its 19th Plenary Meeting in Strasbourg on 28 June – 2 July 2004, emphasising that 5 meeting days were required in order to allow GRECO to deal with the number of Evaluation and Compliance Reports to be considered;

20. in view of decision 19 above, requested the Secretariat to find the appropriations required within GRECO’s budget for 2004.