Strasbourg, 23 June 2006

29th GRECO Plenary Meeting
(Strasbourg, 19-23 June 2006)

DECISIONS
At its 29th Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 19-23 June 2006), the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO):

1. adopted the agenda as it appears in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2006) 14E);

Information by the President

2. took note of the information provided by the President as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2006) 14E);

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 (2006) 14E);

Joint First and Second Round Evaluations

4. adopted, following two readings, the Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on Azerbaijan (Greco Eval I-II Rep (2005) 5E);

5. adopted, following two readings, the Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on the Republic of Serbia (Greco Eval I-II Rep (2005) 1E);

6. invited the authorities of Azerbaijan and the Republic of Serbia to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports mentioned in decisions 4 and 5 above;

7. approved the composition of the Evaluation Team in charge of the Joint First and Second Round Evaluation of Ukraine (Greco Eval II (2003) 1bil of 15 June 2006);

First Round Compliance Procedure

8. adopted the Addendum to the First Round Compliance Report on Bulgaria (Greco RC-I (2004) 3E Addendum) and thus terminated the first round compliance procedure in respect of that country;

9. adopted the Addendum to the First Round Compliance Report on France (Greco RC-I (2003) 10E Addendum) and thus terminated the first round compliance procedure in respect of that country;

10. adopted the Addendum to the First Round Compliance Report on Germany (Greco RC-I (2004) 1E Addendum) and thus terminated the first round compliance procedure in respect of that country;

11. noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Germany authorise the publication of the Addendum mentioned in decision 10 above;

12. invited the authorities of Bulgaria and France to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the Addenda mentioned in decisions 8 and 9 above;
Procedure under Rule 32, paragraph 2 of the Rules of Procedure

13. adopted the Final Overall Assessment of Information provided by the Delegation of Georgia pursuant to Rule 32, paragraph 2, al. (i) of GRECO’s Rules of Procedure (Greco Eval I (2005) 4E Final) and thus terminated the first round non-compliance procedure in respect of that country;

14. urged the authorities of Georgia to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the final overall assessment mentioned in decision 13 above;

Second Round Compliance Procedure

15. adopted the Second Round Compliance Report on Finland (Greco RC-II (2006) 2E);

16. adopted the Second Round Compliance Report on Poland (Greco RC-II (2006) 5E);

17. noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Finland authorise publication of the report mentioned in decision 15 above;

18. invited the authorities of Poland to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the report mentioned in decision 16 above;

Third Evaluation Round

19. adopted, with amendments made in the light of the debate, the Final Activity Report of the Working Party on the incriminations provided for in the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS 173, the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS 191) and on GPC 2 (WP-ETS 173 (2006) 2 Final);

20. adopted, with amendments made in the light of the debate, the Final Activity Report of the Working Party on Transparency of Party Funding (WP-PF (2006) 8 Final);

21. noted, regarding the questionnaire on the transparency of party funding, that delegations will be invited to signal any issues that might require further explanations and that the Bureau will decide on practical ways to deal with them;

Budget 2007

22. approved Budgetary Proposals for 2007 (Greco (2006) 12E) and instructed the Executive Secretary to transmit them to the Secretary General for consideration by the Budget Committee, prior to their transmission to the Statutory Committee for adoption;

Miscellaneous

23. held a hearing with Mr Jim GEE, Director General of the European Healthcare Fraud and Corruption Network (EHFCN);

Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

24. noted that the Bureau would hold its 36th meeting in Strasbourg on 7-8 September 2006;

25. decided to hold its 30th Plenary Meeting in Strasbourg on 9-13 October 2006.