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RESOLUTION N.3

ON

OUTCOMES OF EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION

IN THE FIELD OF SPATIAL PLANNING

Resolution No 3 on outcomes of European co-operation in the field of spatial planning

WE, THE MINISTERS responsible for Spatial Planning of the member states of the Council of Europe, meeting in Nafplion, Greece, on 17 June 2014, at the invitation of our Greek colleague, Mr. Yannis Maniatis, for the 16th session of our Council of Europe Conference (CEMAT)

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION the numerous examples presented to the Conference of concrete initiatives aimed at sharing experiences of spatial planning and making use of the tools we have developed such as the European Charter of Spatial Planning, adopted at Torremolinos, the Guiding principles and the Glossary

WISHING to encourage the development of such tools and promote their wider use

- warmly welcome the initiative of the Hellenic chairmanship of our 16th session to prepare a Handbook for the Public Participation in Spatial Planning
- 2 note with great interest the draft Handbook presented to us by the Hellenic chairmanship
- invite the Greek delegation in co-operation with our Senior Officials to finalise the draft before the end of the year in order for it to be published by the Council of Europe and disseminated in all member states
- 4 note with interest that some member states have requested advice and cooperation from other member states in the form of either legal advice or "peer reviews" on domestic draft legislation or policy orientations
- agree to respond favourably, within the limits of our means and competences, to such requests introduced through the agency of the Secretariat of the Council of Europe by enabling our Senior Officials to take part in technical cooperation activities, pilot projects and "peer reviews" where they can provide their expertise based on experience
- gratefully note the intention of Romania to host the 17th session of our Conference which will be responded to in accordance with the procedures laid down in Resolution Res(2011)7 of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
- warmly thank the Greek authorities for their hospitality and the impeccable organisation of the 16th session of our Conference.