



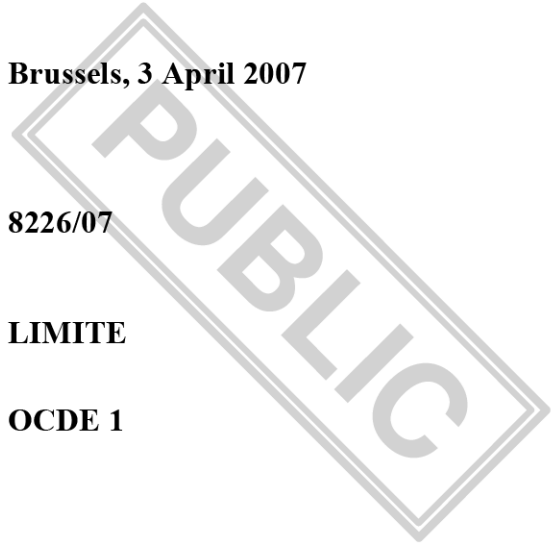
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Delegations will find in annex the text on OECD enlargement adopted by the Permanent Representatives Committee at its meeting on 3 April 2007.

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OECD ENLARGEMENT

Building on their agreement in COREPER on 31 October 2006, Member States and the Commission share the position that they will support the OECD enlargement process on the basis of the following elements:

- all EU Member States that are not OECD members and apply for membership should be recognised as eligible to join the OECD and expressly included in the accession process;
- their accession to the OECD could be sequenced but should be completed in the medium term;
- pending their accession, observership status in various OECD activities and bodies should be supported.

Member States and the Commission shall work to secure the fulfilment of these common objectives.
