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CPME call for a EU ban on smoking in all EU public places including public transport

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All delegations

PURPOSE / OBJET

Decision

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KEYWORDS / MOTS CLEFS

Tobacco

Resolution on Tobacco

CPME wants to reiterate its call for an EU smoking ban in all EU public places including public transport.

CPME:

- Warmly welcomes the EU health Ministers invitation to the Commission to prepare a cancer control action plan with a particular emphasis on prevention
- Appreciates the EU Commission's Green Paper "Towards a Europe free from tobacco smoke: policy options at EU level" report and encourages the EU Commission to put forward the follow-up initiative on smoke-free environments by the end of 2008 as mentioned in the concluding remarks
- Gives high priority to the implementation of the elements of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) and expresses again grave concern about the continued heavy recruitment of young people to smoking
- Calls for the EU to enact binding legislation, irrespective of any action or inaction by member states, to impose a comprehensive, complete ban, notably on smoking in bars, restaurants, clubs and hotels throughout the European Union on smoking in all enclosed public places, including public transport and workplaces, in order to protect non-smokers and workers from the lethal effects of passive smoking
- Commends those member states which have already acted to introduce a complete ban
- encourages those member states that did not ratify the FCTC to do so