Strengthening the Mediterranean Policy of the European Union: establishing a Euro-Mediterranean partnership

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In preparation for the Euro-Mediterranean Conference scheduled to be held in Barcelona on 27 and 28 November 1995, the Council agreed on the summary report to serve as a basis for the exploratory talks that the Troika would be conducting with the twelve Mediterranean partners in the coming weeks. Those contacts were intended to prepare for the Council’s subsequent deliberations for the purpose of finalising the European Union’s negotiating position concerning a Euro-Mediterranean partnership. That partnership will need to comprise three main aspects: - a political and security aspect aimed at establishing a common area of peace and stability; - an economic and financial aspect aimed at building a zone of shared prosperity; - a social and human aspect.