

WESTERN EUROPEAN UNION

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
Paris, 22 February 1991

COMMUNIQUE ON THE GULF

The Ministers of the member countries of WEU have examined the recent developments in the Gulf crisis.

They expressed their appreciation for the efforts made by President Gorbachev aimed at bringing about, without any further delay, the complete and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi armed forces from Kuwait.

They considered that certain elements which have emerged from the contacts between Iraq and the Soviet Union may represent a step in the right direction. But other key aspects remain imprecise or defective. They hope that the necessary clarifications and significant measures will open the way to a rapid cessation of hostilities.

In particular, they reaffirmed their determination that all the relevant resolutions of the UN Security Council be implemented.