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To: Gender equality ad hoc group of the social dialogue,
Social dialogue committee
Cc: DPs, SAC, EEN

Dear Sir or Madam,

FIRST FOLLOW-UP REPORT ON THE FRAMEWORK OF ACTIONS ON GENDER EQUALITY

ACTION REQUIRED BY 2 JUNE 2006

In March 2005, the European social partners adopted a framework of actions on gender equality.

The member organisations of UNICE/UEAPME, CEEP and ETUC agreed to promote this framework of actions in Member States at all appropriate levels taking into account of national practices and to draw up an annual report on the national actions carried out on the four priorities identified. They committed themselves to issuing the first follow-up report in 2006.

We therefore need to start preparing the first report. On 8 February 2006, members of the gender equality ad hoc group of the social dialogue agreed on the following calendar of activities:

- March 2006: European level secretariats to send out a letter asking for the joint input of national social partners to the follow-up report. This is the present letter ;
- June 2006: Deadline for national social partners to send to the European organisations their joint submission summarising the actions they took to follow-up the four priorities of the framework of actions;
- June – September 2006: European level secretariats to prepare the compilation of national reports and to draft a European level submission (including the joint submissions of the European sectoral social partners);
- November 2006: adoption of the report by the Social Dialogue Committee members.

You are kindly asked to send a **single joint national fact-sheet** summarising the actions carried out on the four priorities identified in your country **by 2 June 2006 at the latest**.

To do so, please take contact as soon as possible with the members of ETUC, UNICE/UEAPME and CEEP in your country in order to draft together your contribution.

Actions reported should have a link to at least one of the four priorities of the framework of action. These can be actions taken at national, sectoral or company level, undertaken jointly by social partners or not. **You are kindly required to use the template in the annex in order to draft the joint national fact-sheet.**

The fact-sheets should be written in English or in French.

Please send your contribution directly by e-mail to Ms Denis ed@unice.be as well as in copy to the secretariat of your European organisation. The UNICE secretariat will also forward a copy to the ETUC, CEEP and UEAPME secretariats.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation,

(original signed by)

For ETUC

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For CEEP

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Annexes:

- Template for the national fact-sheet
- Framework of actions on gender equality, March 2005