

**MEMORANDUM ON COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC
AND
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF UKRAINE
FOR
THE RAPPROCHEMENT OF UKRAINE TO THE EUROPEAN UNION**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties")

Having in mind the excellent political relations between Ukraine and Greece,

Recalling that the European Union (EU), recognizes Ukraine as a European country and welcomes its approach to the European institutions

Noting that the EU and Ukraine agreed to conclude intensified political, economic and cultural relations, as well as, relations in the security sector.

Recognizing the role and significant experience of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic regarding the functioning of EU Institutions and implementation of EU Policies,

Considering the desire of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic to contribute to the successful implementation of the reform process Ukraine has undertaken aiming at bringing Ukraine closer to the EU,

Taking into consideration the will of both Ministries to establish close cooperation, aimed at bringing Ukraine closer to the EU,

Recalling the Memorandum on co-operation between the Hellenic Diplomatic Academy and the Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine, signed on June 27, 2000

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties shall develop mutual cooperation between them and encourage such cooperation among other state bodies and institutions of both Sides with a view to bringing Ukraine closer to the EU, through exchange of experience, expertise and know-how in the implementation of the EU policies.

Article 2

The aforesaid cooperation will consist of preparation and implementation of: a) training programs; b) programs for the development of capabilities of public