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## Council of Europe Secretary General in Kyiv for talks with all political parties

Strasbourg, 26.04.2007 - Council of Europe Secretary General Terry Davis arrived last night in Kiyv. During his visit, at the personal invitation of President Yushchenko, he will also meet with the Prime Minster Yanukovych, Speaker of the Parliament Moroz, the leaders of all political groups, including the opposition, NGO's and political analysts. His visit is the continuation of a round of discussions started earlier this month in Strasbourg.

"This is a political conflict and it is better to sort it out in the courtroom than in the street. But it is even better to settle political questions at the negotiating table " said Terry Davis. "The Constitutional Court is the guardian of the constitution. It should not be given the role of an arbitrator of political disagreements. The Court does not relieve the government and political forces of their responsibility to govern".