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## Council of Europe Deputy Secretary General attends Berlin launch of European Forum on the Rights of the Child

Strasbourg, 01.06.2007 - Council of Europe Deputy Secretary General Maud de Boer-Buquicchio is taking part in a round table at the launch of the European Forum on the Rights of the Child, in Berlin on 4 June. The Forum, which is chaired by the European Commission, brings together EU institutions, non-governmental organisations and other international bodies such as the Council of Europe and UNICEF. The aim is to find solutions to common problems, exchange good practices, and listen to, and take account of, children's views in order to design better laws in this field.

The event, at the **DZ Bank Building, Pariser Platz 3, Berlin**, will be opened at 10.00 by the Vice President of the European Commission Franco Frattini. At 11.45 Mrs de Boer-Buquicchio will take part in a round table discussion on children's rights, which will be followed by a Political Declaration.

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For interviews with Mrs de Boer-Buquicchio on 4 June, please contact: Gianluca Esposito + 33 6 66 32 85 23.

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The Council of Europe is finalising a new European Convention on the Sexual Exploitation of Children. Another new convention - on adoption - is expected to be ready for signature by the organisation's 47 member states before the end of 2007.

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