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### PACE President condemns Vladikavkaz bombing

Strasbourg, 07.11.2008 – “I strongly condemn this vicious attack on civilians, who were simply going about their daily business at a market,” said Lluís Maria de Puig, the President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), following the bombing of a minibus in Vladikavkaz yesterday.

“This act will achieve nothing, but will sow only terror and grief. I would like to extend my sincere condolences to the families of those who died, and assure the Russian authorities that they can count on the support of the Parliamentary Assembly in combating those who were behind this horrendous act.”

### **Le Président de l'APCE condamne l'explosion de Vladikavkaz**

Strasbourg, 07.11.2008 – « Je condamne fermement cet attentat odieux dirigé contre des civils, qui se rendaient tranquillement au marché », a déclaré Lluís Maria de Puig, Président de l'Assemblée parlementaire du Conseil de l'Europe (APCE), suite à l'explosion d'un minibus, hier, à Vladikavkaz.

« Cet acte ne fera rien obtenir à personne ; il ne fait que semer la terreur et endeuiller des familles. Je tiens à présenter mes sincères condoléances aux proches des victimes et à assurer aux autorités russes qu'elles peuvent compter sur le soutien de l'Assemblée parlementaire dans leur lutte contre ceux qui sont à l'origine de cet acte épouvantable. »

The Parliamentary Assembly brings together 318 members from the national parliaments of the 47 member states.

President: Lluís Maria de Puig (Spain, SOC) ; Secretary General of the Assembly: Mateo Sorinas.

Political Groups: EPP/CD (Group of the European People's Party); SOC (Socialist Group); EDG (European Democratic Group); ALDE (Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe); UEL (Group of the Unified European Left).