



Presidents' Council

EURODEFENSE

London, 29th September 2017.

Mr. Donald Tusk
President of the European Council

Dear Mr. President,

EURODEFENSE, a network of fourteen national not-for-profit associations, works together on the basis of its Charter of 2006 to promote and contribute to the setting up of credible and effective European Defence. It has maintained relations with national and European authorities for many years, taking up a clear and positive stance on the development of the Common Defence and Security Policy (CSDP).

Last June the European Council agreed on the need to launch an inclusive and ambitious Permanent Structured Cooperation. During their meeting in September the presidents of the EURODEFENSE associations firmly supported this decision and decided to express to the EU their view on the criteria for participation of the Member States in PESCO. This is the aim of the attached report.

Copies of the report will be sent to the *High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy* and to the *President of the Security and Defence sub-committee of the European Parliament*. Copies will also be sent, with explanatory letters, to their national authorities by the presidents of the fourteen associations of the EURODEFENSE network.

Yours sincerely,

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