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# Re-engaging in the parliamentary dialogue with the United States

**Motion for a resolution**
tabled by Mr Göran LINDBLAD and other members of the Assembly

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This motion has not been discussed in the Assembly and commits only those who have signed it

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In January 2005, the Assembly adopted Resolution 1421 (2005) on Relations between Europe and the United States, in which it expressed concern at the deterioration in the transatlantic relationship. The Resolution contained a number of ideas and proposals for engaging in a comprehensive dialogue with the United States on parliamentary level.

Regrettably, while a number of new areas of misunderstanding between Europe and the US appeared since the adoption of Resolution 1421, almost none of the proposals contained therein have been implemented. As a consequence, inter-parliamentary contacts are at their lowest point.

We continue to believe that a constructive partnership between Europe and the United States is a key element for international peace and security, as well as for promoting democracy and the respect for human rights – values that both partners share.

This partnership becomes even more necessary at the time when the world is facing many new and unprecedented challenges, including the worst financial and economic crisis in many years.

There are signs of hope that the new US Administration will show political will and take a more responsible stand on global challenges, which can only be responded multilaterally.

The Assembly decides to take this opportunity for re-engaging parliamentary contacts with the United States Congress, and asks its competent Committee to prepare a fresh report and new proposals on this issue.

*Signed (see overleaf)*

*Signed*[1]*:*

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