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Initial comments by the European Union and the Acceding Countries Romania and Bulgaria on the advance version of a possible text to replace existing paragraps 10, 11 and 29 and annex to document WSIS-II/PC-2/3 (Operation Part)

The EU would like to thank the Chairman of PrepCom for his work to find consensus on implementation and follow up to the World Summit on the Information Society.

The EU still has outstanding concerns on a number of issues, for instance on implementation at the regional level, co-ordination of multi-stakeholder activities and UN agencies and evaluation and benchmarking. However, in a spirit of compromise, the EU agrees that the text as it now stands can be forwarded to PrepCom 3 as it will form a useful basis for negotiations. The EU will want to reflect further on the draft and reserves the right to make further specific comments during negotiations.