Commission statement on Austria (1 February 2000)

Caption: On 1 February 2000, the European Commission publishes a statement in which it notes the declaration made by the Portuguese Presidency the previous day and affirms that it shares the concerns which underlie that declaration. **Source:** RAPID. The Press and Communication Service of the European Commission. [ON-LINE]. [s.l.]: European Commission, [15.12.2009]. IP/00/93. Disponible sur

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The Commission notes the agreed joint view expressed by 14 Member States of the Union on January 31st and shares the concerns which underlie that decision.

The Commission will continue to fulfil its duty as guardian of the provisions and values set down in the Treaties, which provide that the Union is founded on the principles of liberty, democracy, respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms and the rule of law, as set out notably in Articles 6 and 7 of the Treaty on European Union.

At this stage the working of the European institutions is not affected. In this context the Commission, in close contact with the Governments of the Member States, will follow the situation carefully, maintaining its working relations with the Austrian authorities.