

**D e c l a r a t i o n o f I n t e n t b e t w e e n
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t h e C z e c h R e p u b l i c**

Both parties

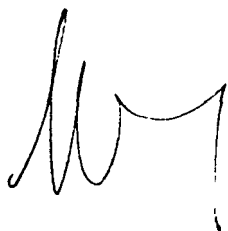
Mr. P. Pithart Prime Minister of the Czech Republic,
and

Mr. L. Van den Brande, Minister-President of the Govern-
ment of Flanders and Minister of Economic Affairs, Small
and Medium-Sized Businesses, Science Policy, Energy and
Foreign Relations,

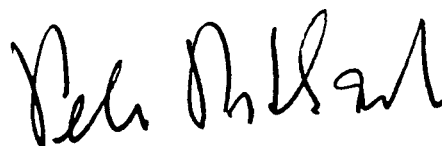
met in Brussels on May 14th, 1992, and made the following
statement :

1. Both parties have the opinion that the historical
changes in Europe create new possibilities for tigh-
tening the existing bonds of friendship and for
developing integrated, closer and overall cooperati-
on between both parties. In this way, they intend to
contribute to a further European integration.
2. Both parties agree that the initial foundations for
cooperation were already laid when the declaration
of intent and the statement involving training pro-
grammes in Flanders for Czech business managers was
signed on June 3rd, 1991 and when the cooperation
protocol regarding education was signed on September
13th, 1991. They want to develop and extend this
cooperation and involve employment and training,
scientific research, culture, health care, social
deliberation, welfare, infrastructure, traffic,
environment, town and country planning.
3. To this end, they will :
 create a permanent deliberation platform
 exchange information, documentation and expert
 knowledge
 promote collective cooperation projects
 encourage and enhance cooperation between
 firms, research institutes and the social part-
 ners
 cooperate within the framework of programmes of
 international bodies.

4. Both parties agree to assign a collective working group, reporting directly to the Minister-President of Flanders and the Prime Minister of the Czech Republic, with the preparation of a global and integrated cooperation-agreement and flexible operating programmes.



Luc Van den Brande
Minister-President of
Flanders



Petr Pithart
Prime Minister of the
Czech Republic

**Annex to the Declaration of
Intent between
Flanders
and
the Czech Republic**

1. Both parties have defined following priorities for cooperation :

restructuration of the Czech economy
support for small and medium sized enterprises
promoting foreign investment
environment, infrastructure and communication
social concectation

2. The working group charged with the preparation of the global and integrated cooperation-agreement will have its first meeting at the beginning of July in Brussels and schedule its activities in order to make to signature of the cooperation-agreement possible before the end of 1992.

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