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Athens, 15 October 2002

Mr. Luis Ayala
Secretary General of the SI

Dear Secretary General - !

Thank you for your kind letter addressed to the Prime Minister Costas Simitis, concerning the forthcoming Council meeting of the SI.

As the International Secretary of PASOK Mr. Paraskevas Avgerinos, has already conveyed to you, the Prime Minister considers that we are not in a position to hold the Council meeting in Athens due to the tight schedule of the Greek European Presidency. PASOK, will be extremely burdened by the EU Presidency and therefore it is impossible to undertake the organization of another event.

On behalf of the Prime Minister, we would like to thank you for your kind proposal and to confirm his interest and commitment to the activities of the socialist family. The Prime Minister hopes that after the first semester of 2003 we will have the chance to cooperate and co-organize another activity of the SI.

Best Regards,

Nikos Themelis
Head of Strategic Planning

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