



## NOTE TO EDITORS

Paris, 12 September 2008

### FRENCH PRESIDENCY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION INFORMAL MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN UNION MINISTERS OF DEFENCE IN DEAUVILLE

1-2 October

Centre International de Deauville (Deauville international centre – CID)  
Address: 1, avenue Lucien Barrière – 14800 Deauville

#### **Press general practicalities**

Journalists and technical teams willing to cover the meeting are required to post an accreditation request on the EU French presidency website and confirm their presence **BEFORE THE 26TH SEPTEMBER**. <https://medias.ue2008.fr/>

Accreditations on the spot will be granted exceptionally, on presentation of a press card and ID. However, belated demands might not be considered or processed in time

#### **Transport**

By train

Every day, from Paris-Saint Lazare station to Deauville-Trouville

From Paris-Saint Lazare station, the timetable is: 6h42-9h04 / 8h00-10h07 / 8h40-10h45/ 10h43-13h02/ 12h-14 h / 14h30-16h44 / 16h33- 18h33 / 17h33-19h42 / 18h13-20h11

Reservation: [www.voyages-sncf.com](http://www.voyages-sncf.com)

By road

Paris-Deauville: highway A13 / 195 km (average time 2h05)

#### **Reception**

Journalists will be handed their badges and welcome kit in the Press reception tent, at the entrance of the Press room.

Journalists will be required to produce, either their press card or the **original** letter from their media – and a passport or ID.

**They will be greeted from 30 September, 1400 to 2200**, then from 0630 to 2000 on 1 October and from 0700 to 1200 on 2 October.

### **Press room**

The press room will be located on the very spot of the informal meeting, in the CID (the media being meant to arrive by the seaside).

The press room will open Wednesday 1 October from 630 until 2300, then on Thursday 2 October from 0700 to 1700.

It will be required that identification badges be worn visibly. At any time, security agents will be likely to check the identity of those involved by asking them to produce an official document.

It will be fitted with:

- A newsroom with phones, RNIS sockets, WIFI, ADSL internet connection, fax, photocopiers and 10 web-connected PCs available...

There will be no other PCs made available.

- 9 editing benches (prior reservation is required, please contact the ECPAD)
- briefing rooms for the delegations
- a dedicated room for press conferences

The French Ministry of Defence's Communication and Broadcasting Production Institution (Etablissement de communication et de production audiovisuelle de la Défense – ECPAD) will provide the shooting and live broadcasting of all the meeting's public events. The EBU will provide satellite traffic.

A co-ordinator for sound and image will provide contact with the press and the EBU. He will especially be in charge of making necessary parking spots reservations for satellite vehicles and stand-up positions at the CID's entrance.

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- Access

Access to the press room is only possible by the seaside.

- Technical vehicles

Parking spots as close as possible to the press room will be allowed for. However, due to the limited number of spots, all media willing to have one should contact the sound and video coordinator as early as possible and provide the following information:

- Time of arrival and departure
- Licence plate number
- Driver's name and first name (to enter the restricted area, he must be accredited too).

- **Private vehicles:**

A parking on the seaside will be allowed for.

### **Image and Video Tour**

The shooting and filming of the Ministers' arrival, the official picture and all activities will be authorized.

Image "teams" will be set up by the press room. Schedules will be given on the spot.

### **Meals**

Meals will be served under a tent, outside the CID (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>, lunchtime and dinner; Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>, lunchtime).

### **Accommodation**

It is incumbent to you to book your room (cf. enclosed list of hotels).

All information is available on the French EU Council presidency website (press releases, accreditation process, planned activities): <http://www.ue2008.fr/PFUE>

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