



EUPOL-KINSHASA ***The first European Police***

o **Union EUPOL-Kinshasa is the first component of the EU, the police Mission of the European Union.** **Decision of the Council of the European Union.** **by Action of the Council of the European Union.**

After a partial pre-deployment in the Democratic Republic of Congo on February 3

Following a request by President Kabila dated 6 October 2006, the Council of the European Union decided to extend the EUPOL-Kinshasa Mission for an additional year, until 31 December 2006.

The mission staff includes 29 expatriates (12 French, 6 Portuguese, 4 Italians, 2 Dutch, 2 Belgians, 1 Swede and two staff from invited countries: Canada and Turkey, a candidate for membership of the European Union).

The EUPOL-Kinshasa Mission is steered by the Superintendent Adilio Ruivo CUSTÓDIO.

The activities of the Mission

1. Support to the Integrated Police Unit (IPU)

The initial mission of EUPOL-Kinshasa consisted in supporting th

Its mandate was to :

- establish an inventory of the current NCP ;
- make recommendations in view of a forthcoming reorganisation ;
- draft an organic law ;
- establish a plan of action for the coordination of the various bi lateral cooperation activities in this area.

The final report was published on 15 May 2006. According to current plans, this task shall be pursued in the framework of a Monitoring Committee.

The mission doesn't have executive authority. Its support consists in technical assistance, monitoring activities, supervision, including advice on the planning of crowd management operations, without intervening in these operations.

This aims at improving and facilitating communication and decision-making, application of operational directives, and supervision of the manoeuvres of the ts in charge of maintaining