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### **Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia on Georgia's withdrawal from CIS**

On 14 August 2008 the Parliament of Georgia adopted resolutions terminating with respect to Georgia the Agreement on the Creation of the Commonwealth of Independent States of 8 December 1991, Charter of the Commonwealth of Independent States approved by decision of 22 January 1993 of the Council of Heads of State of the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Agreement on the Creation of Economic Union of 24 September 1993.

On 18 August 2008 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia sent a note to the CIS Executive Committee notifying it of the aforesaid resolutions of the Parliament of Georgia and Georgia's withdrawal from CIS.

Georgia hereby renounces all obligations related to its membership of CIS as of 18 August 2008. At the same time, in compliance with the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, all multilateral international treaties concluded within CIS and all decisions adopted by CIS respective agencies, which Georgia agreed to be bound by, will remain in force with respect to Georgia.

Tbilisi, 18 August 2008