COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION

of 14 February 2006

on the appointment of a member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank

(2006/108/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Articles 112(2)(b) and 122(4) thereof, and to Articles 11.2 and 43.3 of the Protocol on the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank,

Whereas:

The term of office of Mr Otmar ISSING expires on 31 May 2006. A member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank must be appointed,

HEREBY RECOMMENDS THAT:

Mr Jürgen STARK be appointed a member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank for a term of office of eight years with effect from 1 June 2006.

This Recommendation shall be submitted for a decision to the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the European Community whose currency is the euro, after consulting the European Parliament and the Governing Council of the European Central Bank.

This Recommendation shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 14 February 2006.

For the Council
The President
K.-H. GRASSER