



Jean-Luc Mélenchon

The candidate of "La France insoumise" for the 2017 French presidential elections

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Title: Congratulations to Mr. Jean-Luc Mélenchon with the excellent score in the French presidential election runoff

On behalf of the Unified European Left Group at the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, allow me to congratulate you, Mr. Jean-Luc Mélenchon, the presidential candidate for the 2017 French presidential election on behalf of La France Insoumise (Unbowed France), with the excellent score in yesterday's presidential elections, with almost 20% of the vote, very close to the results of the other main candidates. The result, unfortunately, has not been sufficient to pass to the second round, however we are very proud of your accomplishment as it has proven to be a strong and promising precedent of the expression of the will of millions of French citizens. It definitely has united French citizens into a strong movement which hopefully from now on will come together to fight for social and eco-friendly alternatives for the numerous failing globalized capitalist policies.

As president of the UEL Group in the Parliamentary Assembly, I kindly would like to ask to accept my invitation to be our guest during one of the upcoming PACE part sessions in Strasbourg and during our Group meetings in order to discuss your recent experience and results as regards the French presidential runoff.

Sincerely Yours,

Tiny Kox

Chairman of the Unified European Left Group

