OPEC seeks to keep oil prices stable

The OPEC cartel is expected to keep pumping oil at a near-record level of 28 million barrels per day to avoid pushing prices towards a \$70 danger zone that could stunt world demand and economic growth. Oil prices have so

TOP TEN CONSUMERS OPEC OUTPUT (millions of barrels per day, 2005) (millions bpd, Apr 2004-Mar 06) Top 10 consume United Apr 2004: 23.50 50.5m bpd, out States: 20.77 Jul: 25.50 of global total OPEC: 5.50 Aug: 26.00 Non-OPEC: 6.85 of 83.3m bpd Domestic: 8.42 China: 6.60 Jul: 28.00 Japan: 5.41 Mar 2005: 27.50 Nov: 27.00 Former Soviet Mar 8. 2006: Union: Quota not 3.81 expected India: to fall 2.63 2004 Germany: OPEC members: Algeria. 2.60 Indonesia, Iran, Kuwait, Libya, Mexico: 2.05 Canada: 2.28 Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela. Iraq Brazil: 2.18 Korea: 2.17 exempt from quota © GRAPHIC NEWS Sources: OPEC, IEA