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1. Date: Thursday, 11 January 2001

Opened: 10.00 a.m. Suspended: 1.05 p.m. Resumed: 3.05 p.m. Closed: 5 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. L. Bota

Mr. T. Chebeleu

The Chairman welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the OSCE, Mr. M. Mujezinovic.

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/3/01/Corr.1), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/6/01), Russian Federation, Czech Republic (also on behalf of Hungary, Poland and Slovakia), Holy See (PC.DEL/4/01), Armenia, United States of America, Bulgaria (PC.DEL/9/01), Switzerland, Norway, Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan and Ukraine), Albania, Moldova (PC.DEL/5/01), Canada, Portugal, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/17/01), Croatia, Turkmenistan, Belarus, Austria, Chairman

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) Situation of public television in the Czech Republic and media in Belarus: OSCE Representative for Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/1/01), Czech Republic, Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/14/01), Belarus

- (b) Presidential amnesty in Turkmenistan: Chairman, Canada, Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/8/01), United States of America (PC.DEL/16/01), Turkmenistan
- (c) Withdrawal of Russian Federation troops and armaments from Georgia and Moldova: United States of America (PC.DEL/15/01), Russian Federation, Georgia

Agenda item 3: OSCE MISSION IN KOSOVO

Head of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo, United States of America, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Slovakia, Russian Federation, Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/12/01), Albania, Norway, Yugoslavia, Canada, Chairman

Agenda item 4: BRIEFING BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/13/01), Switzerland, United States of America, Russian Federation, Canada, Turkey, Chairman

Agenda item 5: DECISIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OSCE
MISSION TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
YUGOSLAVIA AND ON THE BUDGET FOR THE OSCE
MISSION TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
YUGOSLAVIA

(a) <u>Decision</u>: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 401 (PC.DEC/401), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the establishment of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Discussion under agenda item 5(b)

(b) <u>Decision</u>: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 402 (PC.DEC/402), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the budget for the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Chairman, Russian Federation (interpretative statement, see annex), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/7/01), Yugoslavia

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia build-up (SEC.GAL/2/01): Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre
- (b) Security situation in Georgia: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre
- (c) Depleted Uranium ordnance: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Switzerland
- (d) Vacancies in the OSCE: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre
- (e) *Implementation of the REACT system*: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre
- (f) Operations Centre: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Chairman

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 18 January 2001, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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<u>Interpretative statement under paragraph 79 (Chapter 6) of</u> the Final Recommendations of the Helsinki Consultations

By the Delegation of the Russian Federation:

"In supporting the decisions adopted today by the Permanent Council regarding the mandate and budget of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the Russian Federation was guided by the aim of offering prompt assistance to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in the building of a democratic society, taking into account the views of the Yugoslav side. In accordance with the general policy of tightening control over the financial activities of OSCE's various structures, including its field missions, it is the understanding of the Russian Federation that the Secretary General will submit a report to the Permanent Council by 1 April 2001 on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1999 report of the External Auditors, including the results of the investigation into spending by the Kosovo Verification Mission. Without taking into account the experience of the KVM, it will be difficult to organize the task of ensuring the proper functioning of the new mission.

The Russian Federation requests that this statement be attached to the Journal."