

1221st Plenary Meeting

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**DECISION No. 1322
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OSCE IT INFRASTRUCTURE
UPGRADE FUND**

The Permanent Council,

With the aim to provide an increased information security baseline for the OSCE through the re-architecture and upgrade of the OSCE IT infrastructure,

Taking note of the document “OSCE Secure ICT Core Platform Infrastructure Upgrade Implementation Modalities” (PC.ACMF/13/19/Rev.1), including the financial impact of moving to an annual subscription model,

Decides to:

Establish a separate Fund, hereafter referred to as the IT Infrastructure Upgrade Fund, for the financing of the upgrade to the latest version of ICT core platform technologies and the re-architecture and deployment of a secure OSCE IT infrastructure in line with PC.ACMF/13/19/Rev.1. The Fund will cover the implementation period, with the balance carried forward from one year to the next;

Request the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine (SMM) to, through efficiency and re-prioritization efforts, reallocate an amount of 1.240 million euros from the 2018–2019 budget for the implementation of the ICT Core Platform Infrastructure upgrade for the SMM;

Allocate to the newly established Fund 1.920 million euros from available 2017 cash surplus for implementation of the ICT Core Platform Infrastructure upgrade for all executive structures except the SMM and the Secretariat;

Allocate 0.400 million euros from funds coming from 2018 Unified Budget balances for the implementation of the ICT Core Platform Infrastructure upgrade for the Secretariat;

Further decides that:

Any funds remaining available in the Fund at the time of completion of the activities will be treated in accordance with Financial Regulation 7.07;

Requests:

The Secretary General as Fund Manager to administer the Fund in accordance with Article VII of the Financial Regulations and to provide reports on the implementation of the Fund quarterly or more frequently if required;

The Secretary General as Fund Manager to ensure that the activities foreseen under this Fund are completed in the most cost-effective and timely manner.

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Attachment

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**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the United States of America:

“Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

The United States wishes to make an interpretative statement under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.

In joining consensus on the establishment of the OSCE IT Infrastructure Upgrade Fund the United States wants to reiterate, for the record, support for this proposal including the use of the cash surplus and acknowledgement of future costs such as licensing fees does not imply any commitment on our part to increase our contributions in this year or in future years.

All additional costs arising from the upgrade must be financed within existing resources available to the various executive structures.

We request that this statement be attached to this decision and recorded in the journal of the day.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.”