

CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND  
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE

ADDITIONAL MEETING, AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL, OF THE REPRESENTATIVES  
OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES IN MOSCOW ON THE QUESTION OF THE  
ADMISSION OF THE REPUBLICS OF ESTONIA, LATVIA AND LITHUANIA

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1. Date: Tuesday, 10 September 1991 (open meeting)

Opened: 9.20 a.m.  
Closed: 9.35 a.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs  
(Germany)

3. Subject:

Question of the admission of the Republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania as  
participating States of the CSCE process

4. Decision:

On the basis of the letters from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Estonia,  
H.E. Mr. Lennart Meri, dated 5 September 1991, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of  
Latvia, H.E. Mr. Janis Jurkans, dated 6 September 1991, and the Minister of Foreign  
Affairs of Lithuania, H.E. Mr. Algirdas Saudargas, dated 6 September 1991, to the  
Chairman of the Council, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany,  
H.E. Mr. Hans-Dietrich Genscher (see Annex), the Republics of Estonia, Latvia and  
Lithuania were admitted as participating States of the CSCE process, in virtue of  
paragraph 54 of the Final Recommendations of the Helsinki Consultations.

Annex

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
of the Republic of Estonia

Tallinn, 5 September 1991

Mr. Minister,

The Government of the Republic of Estonia hereby requests admission to the CSCE process.

It adopts the Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe and all other documents of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The Government of the Republic of Estonia accepts in their entirety all commitments and responsibilities contained in those documents, and declares its determination to act in accordance with their provisions.

The Government of the Republic of Estonia expresses its readiness for signature of the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris by the Head of State or Government of the Republic of Estonia at the earliest opportunity.

I kindly ask you, Mr. Minister, to circulate copies of this letter to all representatives of the participating States at the CSCE Council of Ministers.

Please accept, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Lennart Meri

H.E. Hans-Dietrich Genscher  
Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs  
of the Federal Republic of Germany  
Chairman-in-Office of the CSCE Council  
Bonn

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
of the Republic of Latvia

Brussels, 6 September 1991

Mr. Minister,

The Government of the Republic of Latvia hereby requests admission to the CSCE process.

It adopts the Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe and all other documents of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The Government of the Republic of Latvia accepts in their entirety all commitments and responsibilities contained in those documents, and declares its determination to act in accordance with their provisions.

The Government of the Republic of Latvia expresses its readiness for signature of the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris by the Head of State or Government of the Republic of Latvia at the earliest opportunity.

I kindly ask you, Mr. Minister, to circulate copies of this letter to all representatives of the participating States at the CSCE Council of Ministers.

Please accept, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Janis Jurkans

H.E. Hans-Dietrich Genscher  
Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs  
of the Federal Republic of Germany  
Chairman-in-Office of the CSCE Council  
Bonn

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
of the Republic of Lithuania

Brussels, 6 September 1991

Mr. Minister,

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania hereby requests admission to the CSCE process.

It adopts the Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe and all other documents of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania accepts in their entirety all commitments and responsibilities contained in those documents, and declares its determination to act in accordance with their provisions.

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania expresses its readiness for signature of the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris by the Head of State or Government of the Republic of Lithuania at the earliest opportunity.

I kindly ask you, Mr. Minister, to circulate copies of this letter to all representatives of the participating States at the CSCE Council of Ministers.

Please accept, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Algirdas Saudargas

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