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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL (743rd Plenary Meeting)

1. <u>Date</u>: Friday, 5 December 2008 (Helsinki)

Opened: 1.25 p.m. Suspended: 1.30 p.m. Resumed: 2.40 p.m. Closed: 2.41 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Mr. A. Turunen
- 3. Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: DECISION ON FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS

TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson, Azerbaijan, Russian Federation, Spain

<u>Decision</u>: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 877 (PC.DEC/877), the text of which is appended to this journal, on forwarding of draft documents to the Ministerial Council.

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

None

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 11 December 2008, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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DECISION No. 877 FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

The Permanent Council.

Decides to request the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairperson of the Ministerial Council the following documents:

- Draft ministerial statement;
- Draft decision on strengthening the legal framework of the OSCE;
- Draft ministerial declaration on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- Draft decision on enhancing criminal justice responses to trafficking in human beings through a comprehensive approach;
- Draft decision on enhancing OSCE efforts to implement the Action Plan on Improving the Situation of Roma and Sinti within the OSCE Area;
- Draft decision on further strengthening the rule of law in the OSCE area;
- Draft decision on the OSCE contribution to the implementation phase of the Alliance of Civilizations Initiative;
- Draft ministerial declaration on the 60th anniversary of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide;
- Draft decision on the follow-up to the Sixteenth Economic and Environmental Forum on Maritime and Inland Waterways Co-operation;
- Draft decision on further promoting the OSCE's action in countering terrorism;

 Draft decision on the time and place of the next meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council;

Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of the above-mentioned documents.