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1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 25 February 2010

Opened: 10.10 a.m. Closed: 1 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador K. Abdrakhmanov

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: DECISION ON THE REVISION OF THE 2009 UNIFIED

BUDGET

Chairperson, Russian Federation, United States of America, United Kingdom

<u>Decision</u>: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 927 (PC.DEC/927) on the revision of the 2009 Unified Budget, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON THE

DESIGNATION AND RECRUITMENT OF OSCE

OFFICIALS

Secretary General (SEC.GAL/35/10), Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/102/10), United States of America (PC.DEL/98/10), Azerbaijan (Annex), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/113/10 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Signing of "bilateral agreements" between the Russian Federation and Abkhazia: Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/103/10), United States of America (PC.DEL/100/10), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/112/10 OSCE+), Georgia (PC.DEL/120/10), Albania
- (b) Accession of Kyrgyzstan to the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: Kyrgyzstan (PC.DEL/115/10)
- (c) Human rights and fundamental freedoms in Belarus: Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/104/10), United States of America (PC.DEL/101/10), Belarus (PC.DEL/106/10/Corr.1), Poland
- (d) Statelessness in Estonia and Latvia: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/111/10 OSCE+), Estonia (PC.DEL/119/10), Latvia (PC.DEL/118/10)
- (e) *Promoting tolerance in the OSCE area*: United States of America (PC.DEL/99/10), Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to the South Caucasus: Chairperson
- (b) Participation of the Chairman-in-Office in the Winter Meeting of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, held in Vienna on 18 and 19 February 2010: Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Training in counter-narcotics operations for Afghan law-enforcement officers, held in Dushanbe from 17 February to 18 March 2010: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/38/10 OSCE+), Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation)

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) London Conference on Afghanistan, held in London on 28 January 2010: United Kingdom, Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia

and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/105/10), United States of America (PC.DEL/117/10), Norway (PC.DEL/110/10), Canada (PC.DEL/107/10), Chairperson, Montenegro (PC.DEL/116/10), Tajikistan, Turkey, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/114/10 OSCE+), Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation), Uzbekistan

- (b) Inauguration of the President of Croatia on 18 February 2010: Croatia (PC.DEL/108/10), Chairperson
- (c) General elections in Sweden, to be held on 10 September 2010: Sweden
- (d) Parliamentary elections in Hungary, to be held on 11 and 25 April 2010: Hungary
- (e) Appointment by the Chairman-in-Office of a Personal Representative for the Group of Asian Partners for Co-operation (CIO.GAL/26/10 OSCE+): Chairperson
- (f) Invitation to visit the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights on 5 March 2010: Chairperson

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

Thursday, 4 March 2010, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF AZERBAIJAN

Mr. Chairperson,

My delegation would also like to thank the OSCE Secretary General for the detailed report on the implementation of OSCE recruitment policies. The provisions of the report are being carefully studied in my capital.

The Republic of Azerbaijan is one of the most disciplined participating States of the OSCE. My country is faithfully implementing its commitments deriving from participation in OSCE activities, including the timely payment of its contributions to the regular budget of our Organization.

However, we would like to express our concern over the fact that, today, Azerbaijan is underrepresented in the executive structures of the OSCE. We hope that our position will be duly taken into account and we reiterate our readiness to be constructively engaged in dialogue with the relevant structures of the OSCE on this matter.

We request that this statement be attached to the journal of today's meeting.

Thank you.



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DECISION No. 927 REVISION OF THE 2009 UNIFIED BUDGET

The Permanent Council,

Recalling Decision No. 888 of 2 April 2009 on the approval of the 2009 Unified Budget,

Taking note of the budget revision proposed in document PC.ACMF/6/10 of 2 February 2010 and previous information provided in PC.ACMF/66/09 of 17 December 2009,

Noting that the total estimated costs related to the move of ODIHR to its new permanent premises provided by the host country are 405,730 euros,

Further noting that the requested budget revision amounting to 326,500 euros will transfer sufficient funds to the Common Operational Costs Programme to cover the estimated total expenditures from this specific Programme,

Understanding that relocation activities will be undertaken in a cost-effective and timely manner, within the approved reallocated funds,

- 1. Approves the budget revision as contained in the attached annex;
- 2. Requests the Secretary General as the Chief Administrative Officer to provide, on a quarterly basis, the ACMF with reports on all aspects of the execution of this one-off extraordinary expenditure until the relocation, including the relevant formal arrangements, is completed.

REVISION OF THE 2009 UNIFIED BUDGET

<u>Fund</u>	Approved	Transfers	Revised	Budget	Proposed
Main Programme	Budget	as per	Budget	Revision	Revised
Programme		Fin. Reg.	after	Increases/	Budget
		3.02(b)	Transfers	(Decreases)	
Office for Democratic					
Institutions and Human					
<u>Rights</u>					
Direction and Policy	1,295,800	(23,500)	1,272,300	(20,000)	1,252,300
Fund Administration Unit	1,617,500	23,500	1,641,000	(100,000)	1,541,000
Common Operational Costs	910,700	_	910,700	326,500	1,237,200
Human Dimension Meetings	769,200	_	769,200	(100,000)	669,200
Democratization	1,320,200	_	1,320,200	(58,500)	1,261,700
Human Rights	1,156,900	_	1,156,900	_	1,156,900
Elections	6,555,000	_	6,555,000	_	6,555,000
Tolerance and					
Non-Discrimination	1,237,000	_	1,237,000	_	1,237,000
Roma and Sinti Issues	536,800	_	536,800	(48,000)	488,800
Total	15,399,100	_	15,399,100	_	15,399,100
ODIHR Augmentations					
ODIHR Democratization	249,900	_	249,900	_	<u>249,900</u>
Total	249,900	_	249,900	_	249,900