

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council PC.JOUR/1061 2 July 2015

Chairmanship: Serbia

1061st PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 2 July 2015

 Opened:
 10.05 a.m.

 Suspended:
 1.15 p.m.

 Resumed:
 3.05 p.m.

 Closed:
 5.35 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador V. Žugić
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GERMANY, H.E. FRANK-WALTER STEINMEIER

Chairperson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany (PC.DEL/919/15), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova, San Marino, and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/914/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/912/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/959/15), Turkey (PC.DEL/950/15 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/957/15 OSCE+), Canada, Ukraine (PC.DEL/946/15 OSCE+), Belarus (PC.DEL/953/15 OSCE+), Armenia, Austria, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/956/15 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/933/15 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/939/15), Moldova (PC.DEL/941/15), Georgia (PC.DEL/917/15 OSCE+), Albania (PC.DEL/935/15), Slovakia (PC.DEL/945/15 OSCE+), Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/918/15 OSCE+), Egypt (Partner for Co-operation)

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON THE DATES AND AGENDA OF THE 2015 ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1174 (PC.DEC/1174) on the dates and agenda of the 2015 Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 3: FINANCIAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014 AND THE REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Discussion under agenda item 4

Agenda item 4: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chairperson, OSCE External Auditor, Chairperson of the Audit Committee, Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/923/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/913/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/961/15)

Agenda item 5: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Ongoing aggression against Ukraine and violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation: Ukraine (PC.DEL/947/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/924/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/928/15), Turkey, Switzerland (PC.DEL/943/15 OSCE+), Canada
- (b) *Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/932/15), Ukraine
- (c) Abduction and illegal detention of Ukrainian citizens by the Russian Federation: Ukraine (PC.DEL/949/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/925/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/920/15)
- (d) *Refusal of entry to Finland for the delegation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:* Russian Federation

(PC.DEL/937/15), Belarus (PC.DEL/954/15 OSCE+), Armenia, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Finland (PC.DEL/951/15 OSCE+), United States of America

- (e) Love, justice and equality in the United States of America: United States of America (PC.DEL/929/15), Netherlands (also on behalf of Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom), France (PC.DEL/969/15)
- (f) United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, observed on 26 June 2015: Switzerland (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Tajikistan, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom) (PC.DEL/968/15 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/922/15), Holy See, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/963/15)
- (g) Right to peaceful assembly in Armenia: Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/926/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/962/15), Armenia, Secretary General
- (h) Political pluralism in Tajikistan: Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/927/15), Tajikistan (PC.DEL/930/15 OSCE+)
- (i) Concern over anti-Roma statements in Slovakia and anti-Roma protests in Bulgaria: United States of America (PC.DEL/931/15), Slovakia (PC.DEL/944/15 OSCE+), Bulgaria (PC.DEL/940/15)
- (j) *World Refugee Day, observed on 20 June 2015*: Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/934/15 OSCE +), Armenia

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

(a) Visit of the Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office for the Transdniestrian Settlement Process, Ambassador R. Bogojević, to Moscow and Chisinau on 29 and 30 June 2015: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/101/15) (b) *Thirty-second round of the Geneva International Discussions, held on 1 July 2015:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/101/15)

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Secretary General
- (b) *Visit of the Secretary General to Berlin on 30 June and 1 July 2015*: Secretary General
- (c) OSCE-wide Counter-Terrorism Expert Conference on Countering the Incitement and Recruitment of Foreign Terrorist Fighters, held in Vienna on 30 June and 1 July 2015: Secretary General
- (d) Participation of the OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings in the Central and South Asia Regional Conference on Countering Violent Extremism held in Astana on 29 and 30 June: Secretary General
- (e) *Meetings of the Secretary General with UN officials*: Secretary General
- (f) Meeting of the Secretary General with the Director of the Executive Committee of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure on 24 June 2015: Secretary General
- (g) *Meeting of the Secretary General with the Secretary of State for European Affairs of Portugal on 29 June 2015*: Secretary General
- (h) Fifteenth Alliance against Trafficking in Persons Conference on "People at Risk: Combating Human Trafficking along Migration Routes", to be held in Vienna on 6 and 7 July 2015: Secretary General
- (i) *Appointment of a new Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre*: Secretary General
- (j) Announcement concerning the retention of staff in the OSCE: Secretary General
- (k) Appeal for the nomination of seconded candidates for the post of Counter-Terrorism and Police Issues Adviser in the OSCE Office in Tajikistan: Secretary General
- (1) Appeal for the nomination of seconded candidates for the post of Senior Programme Officer, Energy Security: Secretary General

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the OSCE, Ambassador D. Šimonović, and to the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the OSCE, Ambassador T. Greminger: Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), Croatia, Chairperson, Switzerland (PC.DEL/942/15 OSCE+)
- (b) *Reform efforts aimed at strengthening democracy, the rule of law and good governance in Ukraine*: Ukraine (PC.DEL/948/15 OSCE+)
- (c) Release of the 2014 Country Reports on Human Rights Practices by the United States Department of State: United States of America (PC.DEL/936/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/964/15), Ukraine
- (d) *Presidential elections in Belarus, to be held on 11 October 2015*: Belarus (PC.DEL/955/15 OSCE+)

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

Thursday, 16 July 2015, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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DECISION No. 1174 DATES AND AGENDA OF THE 2015 ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

The Permanent Council,

Further to Permanent Council Decision No. 1011 on strengthening the effectiveness of the economic and environmental dimension of the OSCE, in which participating States agreed, *inter alia*, to hold the Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting on an annual basis in accordance with the mandate and modalities established by Permanent Council Decision No. 995,

Decides to convene the 2015 Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting on 19 and 20 October 2015 in Vienna, in accordance with the agenda contained in the annex to this decision.

PC.DEC/1174 2 July 2015 Annex

AGENDA OF THE 2015 ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Vienna, 19 and 20 October 2015

Monday, 19 October 2015

| 9.30–11 a.m. | Opening session: Taking stock of the implementation of the OSCE commitments in combating corruption |
|-------------------|---|
| 11–11.30 a.m. | Coffee/Tea break |
| 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. | Session I: Development and implementation of corruption prevention policies |
| 1–2.30 p.m. | Lunch break |
| 2.30–4 p.m. | Session II: Exchange of experiences and best practices in the context of combating corruption |
| 4–4.30 p.m. | Coffee/Tea break |
| 4.30–6 p.m. | Session III: Strengthening co-operation to tackle corruption, money-laundering and their inter-linkages |

Tuesday, 20 October 2015

| 9.30–11 a.m. | Session IV: Further empowering of anti-corruption bodies across the OSCE region |
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| 11–11.30 a.m. | Coffee/Tea break |
| 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. | Session V: Good governance in the sphere of environment |
| 1–2.30 p.m. | Lunch break |
| 2.30–4 p.m. | Panel debate: Preventing corruption in the OSCE region: what are the next steps? |
| 4–4.30 p.m. | Closing remarks |