

Chairmanship: North Macedonia

1449th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 9 November 2023 (in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference)

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1.15 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 4.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Djundev
Ms. A. Marku

Chairperson, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1525/23 OSCE+)

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

Agenda item 1: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE

Ukraine (PC.DEL/1558/23), Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the potential candidate country Georgia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Monaco and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1544/23), United Kingdom, Türkiye (PC.DEL/1551/23 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1531/23), Canada (PC.DEL/1537/23), Norway (PC.DEL/1529/23)

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE OSCE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CO-ORDINATOR FOR COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

Chairperson, Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (SEC.GAL/121/23/Rev.1), Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Türkiye and Ukraine; the

potential candidate country Georgia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Monaco and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1545/23), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1527/23), Türkiye (PC.DEL/1552/23 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1532/23), Norway (PC.DEL/1530/23), Ukraine, Canada (PC.DEL/1538/23 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/1541/23 OSCE+), Italy (PC.DEL/1554/23), Liechtenstein (PC.DEL/1528/23 OSCE+), United Kingdom, Poland (PC.DEL/1555/23 OSCE+), Malta (PC.DEL/1550/23 OSCE+), Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1548/23 OSCE+), Armenia, Moldova, Bulgaria, Albania, Israel (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/1526/23 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE TIMETABLE OF THE THIRTIETH MEETING OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1464 (PC.DEC/1464) on the timetable of the Thirtieth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Russian Federation (interpretative statement, see attachment to the decision), Belarus (PC.DEL/1539/23 OSCE+)

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Ongoing crimes by the Kiev regime and dangerous policies of the Western alliance to exacerbate tensions:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1536/23)
- (b) *Situation in and around Nagorno-Karabakh:* Armenia, Spain-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1546/23/Corr.1), Germany, United States of America (PC.DEL/1534/23), United Kingdom, Cyprus (PC.DEL/1549/23), Canada (PC.DEL/1540/23 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/1542/23 OSCE+), France (PC.DEL/1535/23 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1543/23 OSCE+)
- (c) *Violations by Moldova of its OSCE human dimension commitments:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1533/23), Moldova
- (d) *Third anniversary of 8 November – Victory Day in Azerbaijan:* Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1547/23 OSCE+), Türkiye (PC.DEL/1553/23 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Appointment of Ms. K. Johnstone as the new OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings: Secretary General*
- (b) *Release of the 2022 Annual Report of the Secretary General on Police-Related Activities: Secretary General*
- (c) *Visit by the Secretary General to Vaduz on 6 November 2023: Secretary General*

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 16 November 2023, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference



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**DECISION No. 1464
TIMETABLE OF THE THIRTIETH MEETING OF THE
OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

(Skopje, 30 November and 1 December 2023)

The Permanent Council,

Recognizing that the Thirtieth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council will be conducted in accordance with the OSCE Rules of Procedure,

Decides:

To adopt the timetable of the Thirtieth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council as set out below.

Timetable

Thursday, 30 November 2023

- 10 a.m. **Opening session (open)**
- Formal opening and adoption of the agenda
 - Address by the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office
 - Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
 - Report by the OSCE Secretary General
- First plenary session (closed)**
- Statements by heads of delegations
- 1.15 p.m. Lunch for Ministers for Foreign Affairs or heads of delegations

3–6 p.m. **Second plenary session (closed)**

- Statements by heads of delegations

Friday, 1 December 2023

10 a.m. **Third plenary session (closed)**

- Statements by heads of delegations
- Adoption of Ministerial Council documents and decisions
- Closing statements by delegations
- Any other business

Closing session (open)

- Formal closure (statements by the current and incoming Chairpersons-in-Office)

1.30 p.m. Press conference

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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 Russian Federation:

“In joining the consensus regarding the Permanent Council decision on the adoption of the timetable of the Thirtieth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, the Russian Federation expresses its deep disappointment at the fact that once again it proved impossible to reach agreement on a list of international organizations, institutions and initiatives whose representatives will be invited to the Ministerial Council meeting and will have the right to address the meeting and/or distribute written statements, as provided for in the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE. The unacceptability of any hierarchy of international, regional and subregional organizations and associations is also made clear in the Platform for Co-operative Security, which was an integral part of the Charter for European Security signed at the Istanbul Summit in 1999.

We take the position that, in the absence of a Permanent Council decision on the organizational modalities for the Thirtieth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, representatives of international organizations, institutions and initiatives will be invited to the meeting in accordance with the previous agreed list. In addition, statements by representatives of international organizations, institutions and initiatives during the Ministerial Council meeting should be possible solely in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE – only on the basis of an oral consensus decision by all OSCE participating States.

I request that this statement be attached to the adopted decision and included in the journal of today’s meeting of the Permanent Council.”