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## Report on the Activities of the Chairperson-in-Office 913<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Permanent Council, 24 May 2012

- Ambassador Pádraig Murphy and the other Co-Chairs of the Geneva Discussions were in Moscow on 22 May for consultations in advance of the next round of the Geneva Discussions, which will take place on 7-8 June
- OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, Tánaiste Eamon Gilmore, issued a press release on 21<sup>st</sup>
  May welcoming the peaceful and orderly voting in Kosovo for the second round of
  the Serbian presidential election of 20<sup>th</sup> May. The Chairmanship thanks the staff of
  the OSCE Mission in Kosovo as well as the neighbouring OSCE field operations for
  their efforts over the past few weeks.
- The first meeting in 2012 of the open-ended Informal Working Group on strengthening the legal framework of the OSCE will be held on Friday 8 June at 2.30pm. The Working Group will be chaired by Ambassador John Bernhard. A Chairmanship food-for-thought paper (distributed under the reference code CIO.GAL/63/12) was circulated on Friday 18 May, containing proposals relating to both a Convention on privileges and immunities and to a Constituent Document. On the basis of feedback from pS and discussion at the IWG, the Chair will decide how to take forward these proposals.