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1. Date: Thursday, 21 March 2024 (in the Neuer Saal and via video

teleconference)

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1.10 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Suspended: 6.15 p.m.

Resumed: 10 a.m. (Friday, 22 March 2024)

Closed: 11.05 a.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador N. Meli Daudey

Mr. A. Sant Fournier

Mr. M. Cluett

Chairperson, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/318/24 OSCE+)

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION

AGAINST UKRAINE

Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/365/24), United States of America (PC.DEL/319/24), Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Monaco and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/354/24), United Kingdom, Canada, Türkiye, Norway (PC.DEL/317/24), Russian Federation

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE OSCE MISSION TO

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.FR/1/24 OSCE+), Secretary General, United States of America

(PC.DEL/325/24), United Kingdom, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/320/24), Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; and the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area,in alignment) (PC.DEL/355/24), Türkiye, North Macedonia (PC.DEL/359/24 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/368/24), Switzerland (PC.DEL/336/24 OSCE+), Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/360/24 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE CO-ORDINATOR OF OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Chairperson, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (SEC.GAL/26/24 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/30/24 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/327/24), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/352/24 OSCE+), Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/357/24), Canada, Türkiye, North Macedonia (PC.DEL/374/24 OSCE+), Kyrgyzstan, Ukraine (PC.DEL/376/24), United Kingdom, Albania, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/363/24 OSCE+), Kazakhstan, Norway (PC.DEL/367/24), Switzerland (PC.DEL/337/24 OSCE+), Turkmenistan, Georgia (PC.DEL/371/24 OSCE+), Uzbekistan, Armenia (PC.DEL/375/24 OSCE+), Tajikistan, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (PA.GAL/2/24 OSCE+)

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Increasing military involvement of certain NATO member States in yet more confrontation in and around Ukraine: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/321/24)
- (b) Commitments regarding tolerance and non-discrimination: ensuring freedom of religion or belief: Türkiye (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan) (PC.DEL/328/24 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/322/24), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/326/24), United Kingdom (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland) (PC.DEL/323/24 OSCE+), Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/361/24 OSCE+), Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/362/24), Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/364/24 OSCE+)
- (c) Presidential election in the Russian Federation, held from 15 to 17 March 2024: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/324/24), Belarus (PC.DEL/333/24 OSCE+), Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan

- (d) The Russian presidential election and Russia's violations of OSCE principles and commitments: Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; 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/359/24), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/334/24), United Kingdom, Georgia (PC.DEL/370/24 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/372/24), Moldova, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/330/24)
- (e) International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, observed on 21 March 2024: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/329/24)
- (f) Twenty-fifth anniversary of NATO's aggression against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia: Serbia, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/332/24)
- (g) Twenty-fifth anniversary of the NATO response to the humanitarian crisis in Kosovo: United States of America (PC.DEL/331/24), Germany (PC.DEL/335/24 OSCE+), United Kingdom, Italy (PC.DEL/350/24 OSCE+), Canada, Albania (PC.DEL/338/24 OSCE+), France (PC.DEL/366/24 OSCE+), Serbia, Russian Federation

Matters of procedure: Chairperson, Russian Federation

(h) Russia's intensified missile attacks against critical civilian infrastructure in Ukraine amidst ongoing Russian aggression: Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/377/24), Canada, Belgium-European Union, United States of America, United Kingdom (PC.DEL/373/24 OSCE+), Liechtenstein, Norway

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

- (a) Participation of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, H.E. Dr. I. Borg, in the Conference on Addressing Anti-Semitism in the OSCE Region, to be held in St. Julian's, Malta, on 8 and 9 April 2024: Chairperson
- (b) Visits of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, H.E. Dr. I. Borg, to the OSCE Mission to Serbia and to the OSCE Mission in Kosovo, to be made on 10 and 11 April 2024: Chairperson
- (c) Visits of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, H.E. Dr. I. Borg, to Moldova and to the OSCE Mission to Moldova, to be made on 12 April 2024: Chairperson

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

(a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/29/24 OSCE+): Secretary General

(b) Meeting between the Secretary General and close relatives of staff members of the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, held in Vienna on 15 March 2024: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/29/24 OSCE+)

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Montenegro to the OSCE, Ambassador V. Šuković: Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), Montenegro, Chairperson
- (b) Parliamentary election and elections to the European Parliament in Croatia, to be held on 17 April and 9 June 2024 respectively: Croatia
- (c) General elections in the United States of America, to be held on 5 November 2024: United States of America (PC.DEL/353/24)
- (d) Invocation of the Vienna Mechanism to address the issue of political prisoners in the Russian Federation: Sweden (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and the United States of America) (PC.DEL/356/24 OSCE+), Belarus (PC.DEL/351/24 OSCE+), Russian Federation

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 11 April 2024, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference