

Chairmanship: Lithuania

880th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 15 September 2011

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 11.35 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador R. Norkus

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson welcomed the new Chargé d'Affaires of the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria to the OSCE, Mr. O. Stoimenov.

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

Agenda item 1: THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S ANNUAL EVALUATION REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2004 OSCE ACTION PLAN FOR THE PROMOTION OF GENDER EQUALITY

Director of the Office of the Secretary General, United States of America (PC.DEL/863/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/873/11), Norway (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland) (PC.DEL/864/11), Serbia (PC.DEL/868/11), Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Situation in northern Kosovo: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/874/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/861/11), Serbia (PC.DEL/867/11), Albania (PC.DEL/870/11), Poland-European Union, Chairperson (CIO.GAL/178/11 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

(a) *Participation of the Chairperson-in-Office in a conference on the Transnistrian conflict settlement process held in Germany on 8 and 9 September 2011:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/177/11), Moldova

- (b) *Conference on Preventing and Responding to Hate Incidents and Crimes against Christians, held in Rome on 12 September 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/177/11), Holy See (PC.DEL/869/11)*
- (c) *Address by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, H.E. Mr. Audronius Azubalis, at the annual conference of the Georgian diplomatic corps in Tbilisi on 13 September 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/177/11)*
- (d) *Address by the Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, H.E. Mr. Egidijus Meilūnas, at the Nineteenth Economic and Environmental Forum, held in Prague from 14 to 16 September 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/177/11)*

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Director of the Office of the Secretary General*
- (b) *Vacancy announcements for seconded positions at the OSCE Centre in Bishkek: Director of the Office of the Secretary General*
- (c) *Organizational matters related to the 2011 OSCE Mediterranean Conference on the topic Democratic Transformation: Challenges and Opportunities in the Mediterranean Region, to be held in Budva, Montenegro, on 10 and 11 October 2011 (SEC.GAL/134/11): Director of the Office of the Secretary General*

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Response to the ODIHR election assessment report on the parliamentary elections held in the United Kingdom in 2010: United Kingdom (PC.DEL/866/11), Chairperson*
- (b) *Conference of the Bled Strategic Forum entitled The Power of the Future, held in Bled, Slovenia, on 9 and 10 September 2011: Slovenia (PC.DEL/865/11)*
- (c) *Publication of the 2010 International Religious Freedom Report: United States of America (PC.DEL/862/11)*
- (d) *Photographic exhibition to commemorate the tenth anniversary of 9/11: United States of America (PC.DEL/860/11)*

- (e) *Additional agenda items for the Permanent Council meeting to be held on 22 September 2011: Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 22 September 2011, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal