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DECISION No. 130

The Permanent Council decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje until 31 December 1996.

It requests the Chairman of the Permanent Council to start informal consultations in order to review the work of the Mission and to report to the Permanent Council within four months.

Chairman's Statement

In the first place let me say that the Chairman welcomes the decision that has just been taken to extend the mandate of the Mission to Skopje until 31 December 1996.

A new Head of Mission, the Danish Ambassador Christian Faber-Rod, is to take up his duties on 1 July and it goes without saying that we wish him every success in his work.

It will be his task at the appropriate time to evaluate, in close collaboration with the authorities of the host country, the activities of the Mission on the basis of its present mandate and to consider proposals as to how the terms of the mandate might be modified if changes are in fact seen to be required.

His analysis of the situation, which he will present in Vienna, should thus enable the Chairman-in-Office and the Permanent Council to give careful thought to the prospects for co-operation between the Mission's host country and the OSCE.

Finally, the Chairman feels that it should be possible to maintain the Mission's strength at its present level, namely four members, as compared with the authorized maximum of eight.