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1. Date: Thursday, 10 July 2014

Opened: 10.10 a.m.
Suspended: 1.10 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 5.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador T. Greminger

Mr. G. Scheurer Ms. A. Rauber Saxer

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE NETHERLANDS, H.E. FRANS TIMMERMANS

Chairperson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/840/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/826/14), Russian Federation, Turkey, Canada, Germany

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE CHIEF MONITOR OF THE OSCE SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Chairperson (CIO.GAL/116/14 OSCE+), Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine (PC.FR/19/14 OSCE+), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the

European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/841/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/827/14), Russian Federation, Canada (PC.DEL/828/14 OSCE+), Turkey, Norway (PC.DEL/838/14), Serbia, Ukraine

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON NATIONAL MINORITIES

Chairperson, High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM.GAL/2/14/Rev.2), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/842/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/830/14), Russian Federation, Canada (PC.DEL/848/14 OSCE+), Turkey, Ukraine, Norway (PC.DEL/839/14), Georgia (PC.DEL/836/14 OSCE+), Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/829/14 OSCE+), Serbia, Kazakhstan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Albania (PC.DEL/850/14 OSCE+)

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2014 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

Chairperson

<u>Decision</u>: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1127 (PC.DEC/1127) on the agenda and organizational modalities of the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Spain (interpretative statement, see attachment to the decision)

Agenda item 5: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Ongoing violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation and the situation in Ukraine: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/116/14 OSCE+), Ukraine, Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/844/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/832/14), Canada (PC.DEL/849/14 OSCE+), Turkey, France
- (b) The humanitarian situation in Ukraine and the continuing violations of the norms of international humanitarian law during the punitive operation in south-eastern Ukraine: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/834/14), Ukraine

- (c) Attack on human rights defender Mr. A. Yurov: Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Iceland and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/843/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/831/14), Russian Federation
- (d) Legislative developments in Kazakhstan: Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/845/14), Kazakhstan
- (e) Abduction of Ukrainian servicewoman Ms. N. Savchenko: Ukraine, United States of America, Russian Federation
- (f) *Pride Parade held in Istanbul, Turkey, on 29 June 2014*: United States of America (PC.DEL/833/14), Turkey

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

Meeting of the Model OSCE, held in Belgrade from 8 to 10 July 2014: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/115/14)

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/115/14 OSCE+): Secretary General
- (b) Joint OSCE-United Nations Conference on Strengthening OSCE-UN Co-operation on Security Sector Reform, held in Vienna on 7 July 2014: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/115/14 OSCE+)
- (c) 2014 OSCE Security Days conference on "Enhancing security through water diplomacy: The role of the OSCE", held in Vienna on 8 July 2014: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/115/14 OSCE+)
- (d) Conclusion of negotiations on a Memorandum of Understanding between the OSCE and the Government of Azerbaijan on the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/115/14 OSCE+), Azerbaijan

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Twenty-third Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, held in Baku from 28 June to 2 July 2014: OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
- (b) Condolences on the death of former President of Georgia H.E. E. Shevardnadze: Georgia (PC.DEL/837/14 OSCE+), Chairperson,

United States of America (PC.DEL/835/14), Germany, Italy-European Union, Azerbaijan, Russian Federation

(c) Parliamentary elections in Latvia, to be held on 4 October 2014: Latvia

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Tuesday, 15 July 2014, at 10.30 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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DECISION No. 1127 AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2014 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

(Neum, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 27 and 28 October 2014)

The Permanent Council,

Welcoming the offer by Bosnia and Herzegovina to host the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference,

Further to the discussion in the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation,

Decides to hold the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference on the topic "Illicit Trafficking in Small Arms and Light Weapons and Fight against Terrorism in the Mediterranean Region" on 27 and 28 October 2014;

Adopts the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the Conference, as contained in the annex.

AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2014 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE ON ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS AND FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION

Neum, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 27 and 28 October 2014

I. Indicative agenda

Introduction

Following the discussions in the framework of the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation in 2012, the OSCE Mediterranean Conference will focus primarily on one of the three dimensions of security, on a rotational basis. Since the 2013 OSCE Mediterranean Conference was focused on enhancing the role of women in public, political and economic life (third dimension), the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference will focus on the first dimension of security (politico-military). It will provide opportunities for the sharing views and experiences among the OSCE participating States and Mediterranean Partners in view of identifying avenues for concrete co-operation and providing for exchange of best practices. The Conference will pursue a participatory approach, with limited time devoted to presentations of keynote speakers, and substantive inputs and exchanges from the floor. All participants are encouraged to actively contribute to the discussions.

Monday, 27 October 2014

8.30–9.15 a.m.	Registration of participants

9.15–10 a.m. Opening session

10–10.30 a.m. Coffee break

10.30 a.m.–12.45 p.m. Session I: The issue at stake – current and emerging threats in

small arms and light weapons illicit trafficking

12.45–2.15 p.m. Lunch break

2.15–3.45 p.m. Session II: SALW illicit trafficking: routes and modalities

3.45–4.15 p.m. Coffee break

4.15–5.45 p.m. Session III: Counter-terrorism – shared experience and

enhancing co-operation between the OSCE and the

Mediterranean Partners

7.30 p.m. Dinner hosted by Bosnia and Herzegovina

Tuesday, 28 October 2014

9.30–11.30 a.m. Session IV: Enhancing the role of women in public, political

and economic life (follow-up to the Mediterranean Conference

2013)

11.30 a.m.–12 noon Coffee break

12 noon–1 p.m. Closing session

1.30–3 p.m. Buffet lunch hosted by the OSCE Secretariat

II. Participation

The Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and Tunisia) will participate in and contribute to the Conference. The Asian Partners for Co-operation (Afghanistan, Australia, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Thailand) will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference.

The OSCE institutions, including the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference. The following international organizations and institutions will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference: Adriatic Ionian Initiative, African Development Bank, African Union, Central European Initiative, Collective Security Treaty Organization, Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia, Council of Europe, Economic Co-operation Organization, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, European Investment Bank, European Union, Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States, 5+5 Dialogue on Migration in the Western Mediterranean, Financial Action Task Force, International Centre for Migration Policy Development, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, International Labour Organisation, International Monetary Fund, International Organization for Migration, Islamic Development Bank, Inter-parliamentary Union, League of Arab States, Mediterranean Forum, Middle East and North Africa Region Financial Action Task Force, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, OPEC Fund, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Organisation for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie, Organization of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation, Organization of Islamic Cooperation, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean, Regional Co-operation Council, Shanghai Cooperation Organization, Southeast European Co-operative Initiative, South Eastern Europe Co-operation Process, Union for the Mediterranean, UN Habitat, United Nations, UN Al-Qaida Sanctions Monitoring Team, United Cities and Local Governments, UNICEF,

UN Counter-Terrorism Committee, United Nations Alliance of Civilisations, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UN Women, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the World Bank.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations will be able to attend and contribute to the Conference in accordance with the relevant OSCE provisions and practices (advance registration required).

Other countries and organizations may be invited by the host country.

III. Organizational modalities

The Conference will begin at 9.15 a.m. (opening session) on the first day, and end at 1 p.m. on the second day.

Each session will have a moderator and a rapporteur appointed by the Chairperson. The consolidated summary will be forwarded to the Permanent Council for further consideration.

Appropriate arrangements for press coverage will be made.

The working language will be English. At the request of several participating States interpretation will be provided from and into French. These arrangements will not constitute a precedent that can be relied upon in other circumstances.

The Rules of Procedure of the OSCE will be followed, *mutatis mutandis*, at the Conference. Also, the guidelines for organizing OSCE meetings (Permanent Council Decision No. 762) will be taken into account.

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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 Spain:

"Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

Spain, which is very interested in the development of our relations with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation and welcomes the decision just adopted in the Permanent Council approving the agenda and modalities of the upcoming 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, would like to make an interpretative statement regarding the languages to be used in the Conference.

My delegation, which welcomes the fact that English and French can be used indiscriminately during the Conference, as this will foster the discussions with our Mediterranean Partners, nevertheless considers that this regime is exceptional and, as the decision itself states, should not serve as a precedent for future OSCE meetings of other types involving the participating States alone.

I request that this statement be attached to the Permanent Council decision that has been adopted.

Thank you."