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DECISION No. 961 COMMUNITY SECURITY INITIATIVE IN KYRGYZSTAN

The Permanent Council,

Recalling its Decision No. 947 of 22 July 2010 on the OSCE Police Advisory Group to Kyrgyzstan,

Decides to support the understanding reached between the Kyrgyz Republic and the OSCE Centre in Bishkek to implement PC Decision No. 947 on the basis of the Concept for Community Security Initiative (PC.DEL/1081/10 of 15 November 2010).

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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 the Russian Federation:

"In connection with the decision adopted by the Permanent Council on the Concept for a Community Security Initiative, which has been agreed upon between the Ministry of the Interior of Kyrgyzstan and the OSCE Centre in Bishkek, we should like to make the following statement.

Russia has in principle supported the provision by the OSCE of assistance to the Kyrgyz law enforcement authorities and, in particular, the aforementioned Concept, which is aimed at reducing inter-ethnic tension and strengthening the capacities of the territorial units of the Kyrgyz Ministry of the Interior. By way of implementing this initiative, we are prepared to dispatch a group of experts from the Russian Ministry of the Interior.

It is our understanding, however, that this Initiative is not an updated version of the Police Advisory Group (PAG), which did not actually materialize, but is rather a project of co-operation with the Kyrgyz Ministry of the Interior, which is essentially different from the PAG.

While supporting the policing programme of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek, we believe that, in accordance with the Centre's mandate and the existing financial regulations, the Community Security Initiative must be carried out exclusively within the framework of the aforementioned programme and under the supervision of its director.

As regards the financial aspects involved in implementing the Initiative, we trust that the Secretary General will submit the relevant budgetary proposals so as to properly correct the estimate, earlier agreed on under Permanent Council decisions, for the allocations for the specific needs of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek in 2010, taking into account the Police Advisory Group, which as it happened was not deployed, within its approved parameters and also taking into account considerations regarding the mission's new budget guidelines for 2011. We are assuming that in the event of a decision on the resources to support the work of the Centre within the framework of the Community Security Initiative for the following year out of the OSCE Unified Budget, this must not exceed the level of 5,480,000 euros originally approved for this year for the funding of this field presence. We trust that the new project will be covered mainly out of extrabudgetary sources.

We would request that this statement be attached to the Permanent Council decision that has been adopted and that, accordingly, it be reflected in the journal of today's meeting."