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### 707th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 3 April 2008

Opened: 10 a.m. Closed: 12.10 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Mr. A. Turunen

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

Agenda item 1: OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.FR/7/08 OSCE+) (PC.FR/8/08 OSCE+), Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/237/08), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/252/08 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/241/08), Switzerland, Canada (PC.DEL/246/08), Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/240/08 OSCE+), Chairperson

### Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) Recent events in Belarus: Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/238/08), United States of America (PC.DEL/242/08), Canada (PC.DEL/247/08), Belarus (PC.DEL/254/08 OSCE+)

- (b) Determination No. 2008-15 of the President of the United States of America on the Eligibility of Kosovo to Receive Defense Articles and Defense Services:
  Serbia (PC.DEL/251/08 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/253/08 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/245/08)
- (c) Recent developments in the Minsk Process: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; as well as the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, in alignment) (PC.DEL/239/08), France (on behalf of the Co-Chairmen of the Minsk Group) (PC.DEL/249/08), Chairperson, Secretary General

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

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of the report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/55/08): Chairperson
- (b) Appointment of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine (CIO.GAL/56/08 OSCE+): Chairperson

### Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of the report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/62/08 OSCE+): Secretary General
- (b) Visit of the Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre to Afghanistan, from 25 to 29 March 2008: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/62/08 OSCE+)
- (c) Meeting of the Secretary General with the President of Afghanistan, H.E. Hamid Karzai, to take place in Budapest on 4 April 2008: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/62/08 OSCE+)
- (d) Publication of the OSCE Annual Report 2007: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/62/08 OSCE+)
- (e) Joint OSCE-UNODC Workshop on Strengthening International Legal Co-operation among the Participating States of the OSCE to Combat Transnational Organized Crime, to be held in Vienna, from 7 to 9 April 2008: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/62/08 OSCE+)

#### Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Appointment of a new Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland and announcement of an address by the Chairman-in-Office to the Permanent Council, to take place on 10 April 2008: Chairperson

- (b) Presidential elections in the United States of America, to be held on 4 November 2008: United States of America (PC.DEL/244/08)
- (c) Release of the United States Report on Contemporary Global Anti-Semitism: United States of America (PC.DEL/243/08)
- (d) Local elections in England and Wales, to be held on 1 May 2008: United Kingdom (PC.DEL/233/08 OSCE+)
- (e) Parliamentary elections in Serbia, to be held on 11 May 2008: Serbia
- (f) Final Report of the ODIHR Election Assessment Mission on the Pre-Term Parliamentary Elections in Poland, held on 21 October 2007 (ODIHR.GAL/20/08): Poland (PC.DEL/248/08)
- (g) Report of the Secretary General on the outcome of the first meeting of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations Forum and on a possible OSCE contribution to the implementation phase of the Alliance of Civilizations (SEC.GAL/50/08/Rev.1): Spain, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Chairperson, Secretary General, Russian Federation, Greece

## 4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 10 April 2008, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal