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1. Date: Thursday, 5 November 2015

Opened: 9.35 a.m.
Suspended: 12.30 p.m.
Resumed: 3.25 p.m.
Closed: 3.55 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador V. Žugić

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF

THE OSCE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE ON COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM; ON COMBATING INTOLERANCE AND

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MUSLIMS; ON COMBATING RACISM, XENOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION, ALSO FOCUSING ON

INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CHRISTIANS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER RELIGIONS

Chairperson, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, also focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of other Religions, United States of America (PC.DEL/1492/15), Russian Federation, Switzerland (PC.DEL/1525/15 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/1508/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1502/15), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1517/15 OSCE+), Norway, Canada

(PC.DEL/1514/15 OSCE+), Holy See, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1521/15 OSCE+), France (PC.DEL/1520/15), Netherlands, Kazakhstan, Armenia

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Abduction and illegal detention of Ukrainian citizens by the Russian Federation: Ukraine (PC.DEL/1518/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1504/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/1493/15), Canada (PC.DEL/1513/15 OSCE+), Russian Federation
- (b) International day to end impunity for crimes against journalists, observed on 2 November 2015: Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1505/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/1527/15), Russian Federation, Norway (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mongolia and Switzerland), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1524/15 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/1509/15 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1516/15 OSCE+)
- (c) Parliamentary elections in Azerbaijan, held on 1 November 2015: United States of America (PC.DEL/1494/15), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1506/15), Switzerland, Canada, Russian Federation, Turkey (PC.DEL/1501/15 OSCE+), Belarus (PC.DEL/1510/15 OSCE+), OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1522/15 OSCE+)
- (d) Parliamentary elections in Turkey, held on 1 November 2015:
 Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1507/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/1497/15), Russian Federation, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1523/15 OSCE+), Ukraine, Turkey (PC.DEL/1511/15 OSCE+)

(e) The death penalty in the United States of America: Norway (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mongolia and Switzerland), United States of America (PC.DEL/1528/15)

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

Conference on Confidence-Building Measures in the Transdniestrian Settlement, held in Rottach-Egern, Germany, on 29 and 30 October 2015: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/170/15)

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/196/15 OSCE+): Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings
- (b) Appointment of a new Director of the Office of the Secretary General: Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (SEC.GAL/196/15 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Reform efforts at strengthening democracy, the rule of law and good governance in Ukraine: Ukraine (PC.DEL/1519/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (PC.DEL/1503/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/1499/15), Canada
- (b) General elections in Spain, to be held on 20 December 2015: Spain
- (c) Appeal for the nomination of seconded candidates for posts in the OSCE field operations: Chairperson
- (d) Reinforced ambassadorial retreat, to be held in Vienna on 6 November 2015: Chairperson
- (e) Drawing of lots to establish the order of statements for the Twenty-Second Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, to be carried out on 12 November 2015 after the morning session of the Permanent Council meeting: Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 12 November 2015, at 9.30 a.m., in the Neuer Saal