

**FIRST DAY OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE
MINISTERIAL COUNCIL****OPENING SESSION (OPEN)**

1. Date: Monday, 4 December 2006

Opened: 9.40 a.m.
Closed: 10.15 a.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Karel De Gucht, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium,
Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE

The Chairperson welcomed Montenegro as a new participating State of the OSCE, which had acceded to the OSCE on 21 June 2006 pursuant to Ministerial Council Decision No. 2/06. The letter from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Montenegro to the Chairman-in-Office regarding the accession of Montenegro to the OSCE, issued on 4 June 2006, is annexed hereto (see Annex 1 to this journal).

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

Agenda item 1: FORMAL OPENING

The Chairperson formally opened the Fourteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council.

Agenda item 2: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chairperson

The agenda for the Fourteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council was adopted and is annexed hereto (see Annex 2 to this journal).

Agenda item 3: ADDRESSES BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
HOST COUNTRY

H.E. Guy Verhofstadt, Prime Minister of Belgium, addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/6/06).

Agenda item 4: STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

H.E. Karel De Gucht, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium,
Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE, addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/10/06).

Agenda item 5: ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE OSCE
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

H.E. Göran Lenmarker, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly,
addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/18/06).

Agenda item 6: REPORT BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OSCE

H.E. Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, Secretary General of the OSCE, addressed
the Meeting (MC.DEL/12/06).

4. Next meeting:

Monday, 4 December 2006, at 10.20 a.m., in the plenary hall

FIRST PLENARY SESSION (CLOSED)

1. Date: Monday, 4 December 2006

Opened: 10.20 a.m.
Closed: 12.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Karel De Gucht, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium,
Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE

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

Agenda item 7: STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATION

Chairperson, Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (MC.DEL/27/06), Finland-European Union (European Commission) (MC.DEL/63/06), Bulgaria (MC.DEL/23/06), Netherlands (MC.DEL/24/06), United States of America (MC.DEL/50/06), Turkey (MC.DEL/26/06), Sweden (MC.DEL/28/06), Russian Federation (MC.DEL/21/06), Canada (MC.DEL/39/06), Estonia (MC.DEL/25/06), Spain (MC.DEL/16/06), Germany (MC.DEL/22/06), Slovakia (MC.DEL/17/06), France (MC.DEL/61/06), Norway (MC.DEL/33/06), Armenia (MC.DEL/58/06), Latvia (MC.DEL/90/06)

4. Next meeting:

Monday, 4 December 2006, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall

SECOND PLENARY SESSION (CLOSED)

1. Date: Monday, 4 December 2006

Opened: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 6.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Dimitrij Rupel, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovenia

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

Agenda item 7: STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATION (continued)

Chairperson, Uzbekistan (MC.DEL/46/06), Greece (MC.DEL/57/06), United Kingdom (MC.DEL/29/06), Belarus (MC.DEL/49/06), Turkmenistan (MC.DEL/37/06), Switzerland (MC.DEL/36/06), Moldova (MC.DEL/38/06/Rev.1), Holy See (MC.DEL/31/06), Ireland (MC.DEL/20/06), Kazakhstan (MC.DEL/41/06), Georgia (MC.DEL/47/06), Poland (MC.DEL/53/06), Bosnia and Herzegovina (MC.DEL/68/06), Austria (MC.DEL/35/06), Czech Republic (MC.DEL/14/06), Luxembourg (MC.DEL/59/06), Lithuania (MC.DEL/42/06), Croatia (MC.DEL/45/06), Tajikistan (MC.DEL/11/06), Montenegro (MC.DEL/44/06), Romania (MC.DEL/15/06), Albania (MC.DEL/92/06), Andorra (MC.DEL/40/06), Portugal (MC.DEL/94/06/Corr.1), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (MC.DEL/91/06)

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, at 9.30 a.m., in the plenary hall



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**LETTER FROM THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF MONTENEGRO TO THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE OF THE OSCE**

Podgorica, 4 June 2006

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Republic of Montenegro is ready to join the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) as a participating State.

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro hereby adopts the Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe, the Charter for European Security, and all other OSCE documents.

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro accepts in their entirety all the commitments and responsibilities contained in those documents, and declares its determination to act in accordance with the provisions contained therein.

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro expresses its commitment to all OSCE principles and standards, and its readiness to actively co-operate with all OSCE participating States in the pursuit of the goals of this Organization.

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro expresses readiness to adopt and apply all the provisions of the Vienna Document on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures, including giving full effect to the rules of transparency, predictability and conflict prevention.

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro takes this opportunity to express its strong interest to host a full-fledged OSCE Mission.

H.E. Mr. Karel De Gucht
Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belgium
Brussels

The Government of the Republic of Montenegro expresses its readiness to sign the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris for a New Europe by the Head of State or Government of the Republic of Montenegro at the earliest convenience.

I kindly ask you, Your Excellency, to circulate copies of this letter to all OSCE participating States.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

[signature]

Miodrag Vlahović
Minister



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**AGENDA FOR THE FOURTEENTH MEETING
OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

(Brussels, 4 and 5 December 2006)

1. Formal opening
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Addresses by representatives of the host country
4. Statement by the Chairman-in-Office
5. Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
6. Report by the Secretary General of the OSCE
7. Statements by heads of delegation
8. Adoption of Ministerial Council documents
9. Any other business
10. Formal closure (statements by the current and incoming Chairmen-in-Office)