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**Statement by the Permanent Representative of Italy to the
593^o meeting of the OSCE Permanent Council**

I would like to inform the participating States that parliamentary elections have been called in Italy for April 9 and 10, 2006.

In line with our Copenhagen commitments, and on behalf of the Italian Government, I have invited the Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights to consider sending an observation mission to monitor Italy's national election proceedings.

OSCE participating States wishing to observe these elections are requested to contact the OSCE Desk at the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Thank you.