

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council PC.JOUR/754 12 March 2009

Chairmanship: Greece

754th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 12 March 2009

 Opened:
 10.10 a.m.

 Closed:
 12.15 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador M. Marinaki
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE CO-ORDINATOR OF OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Chairperson, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (SEC.GAL/37/09 OSCE+), Czech Republic-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, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/141/09), Belarus (PC.DEL/148/09 OSCE+), Canada, Holy See (PC.DEL/151/09), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/144/09), Moldova (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/147/09), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/150/09)

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

 (a) Commemoration of events of 1 March 2008 in Armenia: Czech Republic-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, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova in alignment) (PC.DEL/142/09), Russian Federation, Armenia (PC.DEL/149/09 OSCE+)

- (b) Issues addressed under Review of Current Issues in the Permanent Council: Russian Federation, United States of America
- (c) Death penalty in the United States of America: Czech Republic-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, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine in alignment) (PC.DEL/143/09), United States of America
- (d) *Recent events in Georgia*: Georgia (PC.DEL/146/09 OSCE+), Russian Federation, United States of America, Chairperson

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

- (a) Appointment of the Head of Mission of the OSCE Office in Baku: Chairperson
- (b) *Meeting on co-operation between the ODIHR and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly with regard to election observation, held in Athens on 11 March 2009*: Chairperson, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Recent activities of the Office of the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (SEC.GAL/38/09 OSCE+): Secretary General
- (b) Administrative procedures related to the closure of the OSCE Mission to Georgia (SEC.GAL/38/09 OSCE+): Secretary General, Chairperson, United States of America

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *International Women's Day on 8 March 2009*: Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/145/09/Corr.1), Chairperson
- (b) Expression of condolences to Germany in connection with the tragic events that took place in Winnenden, Germany on 11 March 2009: Russian Federation, Chairperson
- (c) Organizational matters related to the screening of Document of Suffering Kosovo and Metohia: 1998–2007: Serbia (PC.DEL/152/09), United States of America, Chairperson

- (d) Ambassadorial retreat to take place on 24 and 25 April 2009: Chairperson
- 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 19 March 2009, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal