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The Permanent Council decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje until 30 June 1996.

It requests the Chairman of the Permanent Council to start informal consultations in order to review the work of the Mission and to report to the Permanent Council within two months.

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<u>Interpretative statement under paragraph 79 (Chapter 6) of</u> the Final Recommendations of the Helsinki Consultations

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

"Concerning the appeal to the Russian Federation, contained in the Permanent Council's decision, to ensure the early entry into force of the Russian-Moldovan Agreement of 21 October 1994 on the Legal Status, Procedures and Terms of Withdrawal of Russian Troops Temporarily Stationed on the Territory of the Republic of Moldova, the delegation of the Russian Federation deems it necessary to draw attention to the following.

Even after its ratification procedure has been completed, the Agreement can begin functioning only after all the supplementary documents provided for in the Agreement have been finalized and signed. As is known, the work on three of these documents, stipulated in articles 5, 13 and 17, respectively, of the basic Agreement, is being unduly held up through no fault of the Russian side.

In the light of this fact, the Russian Federation assumes that the Permanent Council's appeal concerning the early entry into force of the Agreement of 21 October 1994 is addressed to both Parties to the Agreement.

For its part, the Russian Federation expresses the hope that the Republic of Moldova will take all necessary steps towards the earliest possible resumption of work on the above-mentioned supplementary documents to the basic Agreement."