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15TH OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

(Madrid, 29 and 30 November 2007)

To Non-Governmental Organizations

All NGOs and civil society entities interested in participating in the forthcoming 15th OSCE Ministerial Council, to be held in Madrid on the 29 and 30 November, are requested to register before 26 November.

In order to obtain an accreditation NGOs and civil society entities have to send an official letter to osce.madrid.accred@maec.es.

The communication requesting accreditation should contain the following elements:

- It should be submitted on the official letterhead of the organization.
- The letter needs to be signed by the President or the Main Representative of the organization.
- The letter needs to include personal details: name, surname, title, function, date and place of birth, nationality, passport number, date and place of issue, telephone.
- Photo: The Photo should be a recent and passport-sized in JPEG (.jpg) format,

Due to space constraints, the number of representatives per NGO is limited to 1.

Following the OSCE Rules of Procedure only the opening and closing sessions of the Ministerial Council (29 and 30, November) will be open to the press and the public. However and unless otherwise decided, all sessions, except for those taking up agenda items which are subject to discussion and possible decision, will be broadcast live in all the working languages to the NGO room by closed-circuit television.

No financial assistance is foreseen to attend the Ministerial Council. NGOs and civil society entities are kindly requested to make their own accommodation arrangements.