

Romanian Chairmanship**351st PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL/Corrected reissue***

1. Date: Thursday, 6 September 2001

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1.20 p.m.
Resumed: 3.20 p.m.
Closed: 6 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. L. Bota
Ms. V. Epure

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE MINSK GROUP

Co-Chairman of the Minsk Group (United States of America), Co-Chairman of the Minsk Group (Russian Federation), Co-Chairman of the Minsk Group (France), Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office on the conflict dealt with by the Minsk Conference, Belgium-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/623/01), Portugal, Turkey (PC.DEL/622/01), Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova and Uzbekistan) (PC.DEL/627/01 Restr.), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/620/01), Armenia (PC.DEL/639/01), Chairman

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) *Presidential elections in Belarus on 9 September 2001*: Chairman, Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, United States of America (PC.DEL/633/01), Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Canada, Norway, Moldova, Belarus

* Incorporates amendment to PC.DEC/437.

- (b) *Ombudsmen of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Republica Srpska*: United States of America (PC.DEL/635/01), Norway, Belgium-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/621/01), Canada, Switzerland
- (c) *OSCE voluntary fund to facilitate the withdrawal of Russian troops and destruction of ammunition and military equipment from the territory of Moldova*: Moldova (PC.DEL/624/01)
- (d) *Situation in Northern Ireland*: Russian Federation, United Kingdom (also on behalf of Ireland)
- (e) *Participation of political parties in Kosovo elections*: Yugoslavia (PC.DEL/628/01), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/636/01)
- (f) *Newspaper article by the Head of the OSCE Advisory and Monitoring Group in Belarus*: Belarus
- (g) *Recent developments in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*: the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- (h) *Inter-ethnic relations in Latvia*: Russian Federation, Latvia

Agenda item 3: **BRIEFING ON OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES**

Discussion under other agenda items

Agenda item 4: **OSCE OFFICE IN YEREVAN**

Head of the OSCE Office in Yerevan (PC.FR/30/01), United States of America (PC.DEL/637/01), Belgium-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/625/01), Canada, Russian Federation, Secretary General, Armenia, Chairman

Agenda item 5: **OSCE ASSISTANCE GROUP TO CHECHNYA**

Head of the OSCE Assistance Group to Chechnya (PC.FR/31/01), Belgium-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/626/01), United States of America, Norway, Turkey, Canada, Switzerland, Russian Federation, Chairman

Agenda item 6: DISCUSSION ON THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE ACTION PLAN FOR GENDER ISSUES

Secretary General (SEC.GAL/154/01), Chairperson of the Informal Group on Equal Opportunities, Belgium-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/632/01), United States of America, Norway, Canada, Russian Federation, Chairman

Agenda item 7: VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: BRIEFING BY THE
CHAIR OF THE INFORMAL GROUP ON EQUAL
OPPORTUNITIES ON FOLLOW-UP MEASURES

Discussion under agenda item 6

Agenda item 8: DECISION ON THE FURTHER ENHANCEMENT OF THE
OSCE SPILLOVER MONITOR MISSION TO SKOPJE

Chairman

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 437 (PC.DEC/437), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the further enhancement of the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje.

Belgium-European Union (interpretative statement, see Attachment 1 to the Decision), Chairman, United States of America (PC.DEL/634/01), Russian Federation (interpretative statement, see Attachment 2 to the Decision), Secretary General (SEC.GAL/150/01), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Agenda item 9: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 10: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Internal oversight:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/153/01), Director of Internal Oversight (SEC.GAL/148/01 Restr.), United States of America, Russian Federation
- (b) *Follow-up to the fourth high-level meeting between the United Nations and regional organizations:* Secretary General
- (c) *REACT implementation:* Secretary General
- (d) *Trafficking in human beings:* Secretary General

Agenda item 11: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Conference on "Equal Opportunities for Roma and Sinti: Translating Words into Facts", to be held in Bucharest from 10 to 13 September 2001: Chairman*
- (b) *Human Dimension Implementation Meeting to be held in Warsaw from 17 to 27 September 2001: Chairman*
- (c) *Fund for fostering the integration of recently admitted participating States: Chairman*
- (d) *Anti-personnel landmine victim assistance programme: Slovenia, Chairman*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 13 September 2001, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal