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STATEMENT

Delivered by H.E. Mr. Valeriu Chiveri, Ambassador, Head of Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Moldova to the OSCE, at the Permanent Council Meeting
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In response to the presentation made by Dr. Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

Mr. Chairperson,

This delegation fully subscribed to the statement delivered by the EU, but in my national capacity I would like to join others in welcoming the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings to the Permanent Council Meeting and thank her for briefing us on the ongoing efforts in addressing this phenomenon.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Giammarinaro for her latest visit to Chisinau in November 2011, thus offering a valuable opportunity to assess the current state of play in this field, but moreover, to identify the existing gaps. We appreciate the assessment made on the ways the established system to fight trafficking could be strengthened. The Moldovan authorities took note of the Country Visit Report and its general conclusions and recommendations, considered to be both useful and relevant. Furthermore, taking into account the recent positive developments in this field, the national authorities presented their comments and updates on the matter, respective information has been already forwarded to the Special Representative's Office. In this respect, the Republic of Moldova will continue to support the Special Representative in her untiring work to combat all forms of trafficking.

Finally, let me also take this opportunity to thank Andorra, Principality of Monaco, Liechtenstein and San Marino for supporting the project on Preventing Human Trafficking in Children without Parental Care in Moldova, thus offering concrete help to empower this particularly vulnerable group.

Mr. Chairperson,

We look forward to further work together in fostering a transnational approach in addressing trafficking and let me reiterate our support to the Special Representative and her team activity.

Thank you.