

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Forum for Security Co-operation FSC.JOUR/693 4 July 2012

Chairmanship: Latvia

687th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. Date: Wednesday, 4 July 2012

Opened:10.05 a.m.Closed:12.25 p.m.

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

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

- (a) Financial contribution to the capacity development programme for the management of stockpiles of conventional ammunition in Serbia: Luxembourg, Serbia
- (b) Issues related to non-proliferation and the implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540: Kazakhstan
- (c) Update on the next steps with regard to the OSCE Meeting to Review the OSCE Plan of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons and the OSCE Expert Level Session on Small Arms and Light Weapons Stockpile Management, Surplus Reduction and Destruction, held in Vienna from 22 to 24 May 2012: Chairperson (Annex)
- (d) Appointment and terms of reference of the FSC Chairperson's Co-ordinator on Non-Proliferation Issues (FSC.DEL/86/12 OSCE+): Chairperson, Germany, FSC Chairperson's Co-ordinator on Non-Proliferation Issues (Ukraine)
- (e) Briefing on working session III of the Annual Security Review Conference, held in Vienna from 26 to 28 June 2012: Chairperson

Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

Presentations on the National Action Plan of Serbia for the Implementation of UNSCR 1540 by Ambassador B. Latinovic, Head of Arms Control Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, and the National Action Plan of Belarus for the Implementation of UNSCR 1540 by Mr. V. Pavlov, Senior Counsellor, Department of International Security and Arms Control, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Belarus: Chairperson, Ms. B. Latinovic (FSC.DEL/90/12 OSCE+), Mr. V. Pavlov (FSC.DEL/89/12 OSCE+), Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Cyprus-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/88/12), United States of America, Liechtenstein, United Kingdom, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Russian Federation

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Issues related to Mongolia's request to become a participating State of the OSCE: Ireland, Chairperson
- (b) Seminar on the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security for the Baltic region, held in Riga from 18 to 20 June 2012: Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre, FSC Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (Germany), Switzerland (also on behalf of Germany)
- (c) Distribution of a statistical overview of the 2012 information exchange on the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (FSC.GAL/85/12 Restr.): Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre
- (d) Informal organizational meeting for the upcoming Annual Discussion on the Implementation of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, to be held on 9 July 2012, and announcement of the distribution of an annotated agenda of the Annual Discussion on the Implementation of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security: Chairperson
- (e) Invitation to a reception by the military advisers of the Permanent Representations to the OSCE, to be held in Vienna on 4 July 2012: France
- (f) Letter by the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the OSCE to the Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation dated 23 May 2012 (FSC.DEL/59/12 OSCE+): Azerbaijan, Chairperson, Armenia
- (g) Distribution of a revised draft statement by the Chairmanship of the Forum for Security Co-operation on behalf of the OSCE at the Second Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light

Weapons in All Its Aspects, to be held in New York from 27 August to 9 September 2012 (FSC.DEL/45/12/Rev.1 Restr.): Chairperson

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 18 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The OSCE Meeting to Review the OSCE Plan of Action on SALW and the OSCE Expert Level Session on SALW Stockpile Management, Surplus Reduction and Destruction that took place from 22 to 24 May 2012 afforded an opportunity to take stock of the implementation of the Plan of Action on SALW. Pursuant to the requests of the participating States and with a view to increasing the visibility of our work, the Consolidated Report has been issued as a document in the public domain, under reference number FSC.GAL/86/12.

During the meetings on SALW in May, we covered a wide spectrum of issues ranging from export and brokering controls, stockpile management and security, destruction and the marking and tracing of small arms and light weapons to the regional approaches to tackling stockpile management.

Both events generated a number of new ideas for the implementation steps that the OSCE and its participating States could take to fulfil the Plan and its objectives. They also pointed to possible future roles of the OSCE in the SALW process and called attention to the accomplishment of a number of planned steps set forth in the Plan of Action on SALW.

In order to follow up the Review Meeting and the progress achieved in the implementation of the Plan of Action, and based on the results of the UN Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, which will take place from 27 August to 9 September 2012, in New York, the FSC Chairperson suggests issuing an FSC working programme on SALW. The working programme would encompass the first column, "Measures", of the Plan of Action on SALW and should have two additional columns: "Possible implementation steps" and "Steps undertaken". These last two columns would be a living/operational part of the working programme and would reflect concrete suggestions made by the participating States at the SALW Meeting on 22 and 23 May, or later on.

At the meeting of the Ministerial Council in Dublin, we could decide whether to convene another OSCE Review Meeting on the Plan of Action on SALW before the next UN Biennial Meeting of States on Small Arms and Light Weapons.

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This would be a good way forward for adapting the Plan of Action on SALW to new challenges and operationalizing its implementation, without having changed the Plan of Action itself.