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The Chairman-in-Office added that organizing such elections was not constructive and could only increase tension.

OSCE Chairman participated at the two-day OSCE conference on sustainable water management in the Spanish city of Zaragoza

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The event, "*Key challenges to ensure environmental security and sustainable development in the OSCE area: Water Management*," brought together more than 200 government officials, representatives of civil society, the business and academic community, as well as of international and non-governmental organizations.