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## DECISION No. 1379 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OSCE ORACLE E-BUSINESS SUITE (EBS) 12.2 UPGRADE PROJECT

The Permanent Council,

Taking note of the document "Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project Funding Request" (PC.ACMF/42/20 of 23 July 2020),

Taking note of the overall Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project requirement of 950,000 euros, of which 779,000 euros would be funded from within the 2020 OSCE Unified Budget,

Recalling the presentations "Oracle 12.2 Funding" delivered by the Department of Management and Finance to the Advisory Committee on Management and Finance on 8 July 2020 and 14 July 2020,

Decides to:

- 1. Approve an amount of up to 950,000 euros as the total cost of the Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project;
- 2. Request the OSCE Unified Budget Fund Managers to, on an exceptional non-precedent-setting basis, reprioritize from the identified 2020 underspending, an amount of 779,000 euros for the purpose of contributing to the financing of the Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project;
- 3. Request the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine to, through reallocating savings resulted from exceptional vacancy savings due to COVID-19 related delays in recruitments, and on an exceptional non-precedent-setting basis, reallocate an amount of 171,000 euros from the authorized assessment of the SMM 2020–2021 budget for the purpose of contributing to the financing of the Oracle EBS 12.2 Upgrade Project;
- 4. Authorize the use of funds in support of the total Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project through March 2022, in accordance with Financial Regulation 3.03; and

## Requests:

- 5. The Secretary General to provide reports on the implementation of the Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project quarterly or more frequently if required;
- 6. The Secretary General to ensure that the activities foreseen under this Project are completed in the most cost-effective and timely manner.

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## INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

"Having joined the consensus regarding the Permanent Council decision on the establishment of the OSCE Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) 12.2 Upgrade Project, the Russian Federation notes the following.

We regret that the decision has been adopted with noticeable delay owing to the unconstructive position of one participating State. We take note that the need to launch the project as soon as possible is dictated both by the considerations involved in ensuring the smooth functioning of the OSCE's resource planning system after 2021 and by possible additional financial costs for the Organization due to the delayed start of work on the Oracle E-Business Suite upgrade.

We emphasize the importance of the principle reflected in the decision of the fair distribution of the project's costs among all the executive structures that will benefit from its implementation. We believe it is essential to adhere strictly to this principle in the future when considering any proposals regarding capital investments in the development of the OSCE's information technology potential.

We request that this statement be attached to the adopted decision and included in the journal of the day."