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**JOINT OSCE-UNODC TECHNICAL EXPERTS CONFERENCE ON**  
**BORDER MANAGEMENT AND SECURITY**

Vienna (Hofburg), 7 and 8 September 2004

The Permanent Council,

Committed to strengthening OSCE capacities to promote open and secure borders, *inter alia*, through the elaboration of an OSCE border security and management concept,

In order to enhance capacity-building and mutually beneficial inter-State co-operation, as well as to enhance co-operation between international organizations in capacity-building assistance to requesting participating States,

In an effort to enhance border management and security,

Decides to organize, in co-operation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), a conference of international organizations on border management and security to be attended by technical experts:

- The aim of the Conference will be to share international organizations' experience in promoting more effective border management and security, and to develop a more strategic and co-ordinated approach to delivering international assistance;
- It will highlight the capacities of the respective international organizations for providing assistance in capacity-building in the area of border control and management, and work toward co-ordination, streamlining and avoiding duplication in international co-operation while providing assistance in this area;
- The geographic scope of the Conference will be limited to the OSCE region. The OSCE participating States, the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation and the Partners for Co-operation will be invited to send attendees at the expert level;
- The Conference will be held in Vienna, at the Hofburg Congress Centre, on 7 and 8 September 2004;

Tasks the OSCE Secretary General to organize the Conference, which will be financed from existing resources.