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REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN IN OFFICE (4 May – 10 May)

Rupel Pays Tribute to All Who Made Peace in Europe Possible

LJUBLJANA - OSCE Chairman Dimitrij Rupel paid tribute on 9 May to all those who made sacrifices in World War II for peace. According to Rupel, sixty years ago, the world and Europe breathed a sigh of relief as the bloody battles of WWII came to an end. On the occasion of the anniversary, we grieve for the tens of millions of people who lost their lives in battles, the Holocaust, as a consequence of occupation and other forms of tyranny, he said. We also remember all those who made sure that humanity won over dictatorship and tyranny, for those who fought against violence. We owe them much and we will never forget their sacrifice, Rupel said. In a statement on the 60th anniversary of the end of WWII in Europe, Rupel also underscored the importance of the international organisations that were created in the aftermath of WWII. Moreover, Rupel underscored the current role of the OSCE in securing global peace. According to him, the security organisation can be proud of the role it has played over the last 30 years in promoting peace through cooperation.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WARSAW, 11 through 13 May - Ambassador Boris Frlec is to attend an OSCE Human Dimension Seminar on Migration and Integration on behalf of OSCE Chair Dimitrij Rupel.

WARSAW, 16 & 17 May - OSCE Chair Dimitrij Rupel is scheduled to attend the 3rd Summit of the Council of Europe.

PRAGUE, 23 through 27 May - The 13th meeting of the Economic Forum is to be held. The meeting will be attended by OSCE Chair Dimitrij Rupel.