

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council PC.JOUR/1132 2 February 2017

Chairmanship: Austria

1132nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 2 February 2017

Opened: 10.05 a.m. Closed: 1.15 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador C. Koja Ambassador K. Kögeler
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE OSCE MISSION IN KOSOVO

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo (PC.FR/3/17 OSCE+), Malta-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/143/17), United States of America (PC.DEL/125/17), Switzerland (PC.DEL/134/17 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/133/17 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/136/17), Norway (PC.DEL/148/17), France (also on behalf of Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Sweden and the United Kingdom) (Annex 1), Spain (Annex 2), Albania (PC.DEL/156/17), Serbia (PC.DEL/157/17 OSCE+)

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

 (a) Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine and illegal occupation of Crimea: Ukraine (PC.DEL/128/17), Malta-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/144/17), Switzerland (PC.DEL/135/17 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/127/17), Turkey (PC.DEL/132/17 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/154/17 OSCE+)

- (b) Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/137/17), Ukraine, United States of America (PC.DEL/145/17)
- (c) *Violations of the linguistic rights of national minorities in Estonia*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/138/17), Estonia (PC.DEL/141/17 OSCE+)
- (d) Weakening the ability to protect against domestic violence in Russia: United States of America (PC.DEL/130/17) (PC.DEL/131/17), Malta-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/146/17), Canada (PC.DEL/153/17 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/139/17), Ukraine
- (e) Attempted incursion by Azerbaijani armed forces along the line of contact between Nagorno-Karabakh and Azerbaijan: Armenia (PC.DEL/142/17), Azerbaijan

Agenda item 3: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) Visit by the Chairperson-in-Office to Georgia and Moldova on 2 and 3 February 2017: Chairperson
- (b) Seventy-fourth meeting of the Ergneti Incident Prevention and Response Mechanism (IPRM), to be held on 3 February 2017: Chairperson
- (c) Update on the consultations on the draft decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Office in Yerevan and on the draft decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Office in Tajikistan: Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/19/17 OSCE+): Secretary General
- (b) *Visit by the Secretary General to Kyiv on 30 January 2017*: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/19/17 OSCE+)

(c) *Meeting of the Secretary General with the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia on 26 January 2017:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/19/17 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

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

Thursday, 9 February 2017, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF FRANCE (ALSO ON BEHALF OF BELGIUM, BULGARIA, CANADA, CROATIA, THE CZECH REPUBLIC, DENMARK, ESTONIA, GERMANY, ITALY, LATVIA, LITHUANIA, THE NETHERLANDS, SLOVENIA, SWEDEN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM)

Mr. Chairperson,

I am making this statement in a national capacity and also on behalf of Germany, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

Mr. Chairperson,

We appreciate the excellent work carried out by the OSCE Mission in Kosovo in order to support the authorities of the country in strengthening their institutions. We are pleased to welcome Ambassador Jan Braathu for his first report to the Permanent Council and look forward to working with him in a constructive manner.

We welcome the fact that the Mission is continuously adapting its activities to Kosovo's needs. In that context, we once again express the hope that it will prove possible in the future to have contacts between participating States and technical representatives of the Kosovo administrations co-operating with the OSCE Mission in Kosovo. We should like to discuss the conceivable options as soon as possible with Ambassador Jan Braathu and all participating States prior to his next report to the Permanent Council.

I request that this statement be attached to the journal of the day.

Thank you.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SPAIN

Mr. Chairperson,

I appreciate the statement by the Head of the Mission in Kosovo and I should like to express our support for the important work it carries out together with other international institutions present in the territory of Kosovo. I also endorse the statement made on our behalf by the European Union.

My delegation also wishes to recall that Spain, like other participating States, does not recognize the territory of Kosovo as a State and that any proposal made in relation to matters affecting the OSCE Mission in Kosovo should always be carried out within the framework of compliance with United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999).

Thank you very much.