

Chairmanship: Ireland

904th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 8 March 2012

Opened: 9.05 a.m.
Closed: 12.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador E. O’Leary

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL
COUNCIL OF AUSTRIA, H.E. BARBARA PRAMMER

Chairperson, President of the National Council of Austria, Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/197/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/180/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/208/12), Kazakhstan, Switzerland (PC.DEL/191/12), Canada, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Norway (PC.DEL/185/12), Azerbaijan

Agenda item 2: OSCE MISSION TO MONTENEGRO

Head of the OSCE Mission to Montenegro, Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/198/12),

United States of America (PC.DEL/184/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/207/12 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/194/12 OSCE+), Montenegro (PC.DEL/189/12)

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE CO-ORDINATOR OF OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (SEC.GAL/46/12 OSCE+), Chairperson, Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Andorra, Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/195/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/183/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/206/12), Holy See (PC.DEL/187/12), Turkey (PC.DEL/201/12), Ukraine, Canada, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Armenia

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Response to a statement made by the Russian Federation at the 903rd meeting of the Permanent Council on manifestations of aggressive nationalism and neo-Nazism in some European Union member States: Lithuania* (PC.DEL/190/12 OSCE+), Russian Federation
- (b) *Presidential elections in the Russian Federation, held on 4 March 2012:* Denmark-European Union (PC.DEL/200/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/179/12/Rev.2), Kazakhstan, Switzerland (also on behalf of Canada and Liechtenstein) (PC.DEL/193/12), Belarus (PC.DEL/178/12), Norway (PC.DEL/186/12), Iceland, Azerbaijan, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/203/12)
- (c) *Freedom of the media in Tajikistan:* Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/199/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/181/12), Tajikistan (PC.DEL/177/12 OSCE+)
- (d) *Lifting of visa requirements for citizens of the Russian Federation by Georgia:* Georgia (PC.DEL/209/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/205/12)
- (e) *Recent developments in Georgia:* Georgia (PC.DEL/210/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/182/12), Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of

Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/196/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/204/12)

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

*Announcement of the distribution of a written report on the activities of the
Chairperson-in-Office: Chairperson*

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General
(SEC.GAL/47/12 OSCE+): Secretary General*
- (b) *Visit by the Secretary General to Brussels on 6 and 7 March 2012:
Secretary General (SEC.GAL/47/12 OSCE+)*
- (c) *Social media campaign by the Secretariat to mark International Women's
Day: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/47/12 OSCE+)*
- (d) *Upcoming visit by the Secretary General to Skopje on 13 and 14 March 2012:
Secretary General (SEC.GAL/47/12 OSCE+)*
- (e) *Secretary General's hour with the heads of delegations, to be held on
9 March 2012: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/47/12 OSCE+)*

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Donors' conference on durable solutions for refugees and internally displaced
person (IDPs) in the Western Balkans, to be held in Sarajevo on
24 April 2012: Serbia (also on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and
Montenegro) (PC.DEL/188/12), Turkey (PC.DEL/202/12)*
- (b) *Belgian Chairmanship of the Task Force for International Cooperation on
Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research: Belgium
(PC.DEL/192/12)*
- (c) *Follow-up to the OSCE/ODIHR Election Assessment Mission Final Report on
the early parliamentary elections (ODIHR.GAL/79/11) held in Slovenia on
4 December 2011: Slovenia*
- (d) *Chairmanship conference entitled "Shared Future: Building and Sustaining
Peace, the Northern Ireland Case Study", to be held in Dublin on
27 April 2012 (CIO.GAL/22/12 OSCE+): Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 15 March 2012, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal