

84th Plenary Meeting

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DECISION No. 137**AGENDA, ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORK, TIMETABLE AND
OTHER MODALITIES OF THE 1996 REVIEW MEETING
AND THE PREPARATORY MEETING TO THE LISBON SUMMIT****I. AGENDA****A. Review Meeting**

1. Formal opening
2. Statement by the Chairman-in-Office or his representative
3. Reports by:
 - (a) the Secretary General
 - (b) the High Commissioner on National Minorities
 - (c) the Director of the ODIHR
 - (d) the Chairman of the Forum for Security Co-operation
4. General debate
5. Contributions by:
 - (a) Mediterranean partners for co-operation
 - (b) partners for co-operation (Japan, Republic of Korea)
 - (c) the United Nations
 - (d) other international organizations and institutions
 - (e) the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
 - (f) the President of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration
6. Review of implementation, including a focus on recommendations for future action and greater co-operation among participating States:
 - (a) Review of the implementation of all OSCE principles and commitments
 - (b) Review of OSCE activities, institutions, structures and instruments, including consideration of proposals designed to enhance the role of the OSCE and further strengthen its capabilities

7. Reports by the Rapporteurs and Chairman's Summary

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8. Formal closure
- B. Preparatory Meeting
 1. Formal opening
 2. Preparation of a document to be adopted at the Meeting of Heads of State or Government of the participating States, to be held in Lisbon on 2 and 3 December 1996
 3. Formal closure

II. ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORK, TIMETABLE AND OTHER MODALITIES

1. Agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 of the Review Meeting will be dealt with at plenary meetings. Those making reports or contributions under agenda items 3, 5(c), 5(d), 5(e) and 5(f) are encouraged to do so in writing. Under agenda items 4, 5(a) and 5(b), States may also submit their opening statements in writing. Possible oral presentations under agenda items 3, 4 and 5 should not exceed 5 minutes.

Under agenda item 3, the Chairman of the Joint Consultative Group may provide information on the functioning of the CFE regime. Under agenda item 6, the Chairman of the Forum for Security Co-operation and the Chairman of the Security Model Committee will be invited to report to the plenary on 18 November 1996.

2. The Mediterranean partners for co-operation will be invited to the Review Meeting. They will be invited to make their contributions to the Review Meeting in plenary and in the appropriate sessions of the Working Groups, in the context of the relevant provisions of the Final Act and other OSCE documents, with respect to the realization of the objectives concerning security and co-operation in the Mediterranean as well as co-operation and closer links with the OSCE as set out in these documents.

Japan will be invited to make its contributions in plenary as well as in the appropriate sessions of the Working Groups, in conformity with the relevant provisions of the Helsinki Document 1992.

The Republic of Korea will be invited to observe proceedings in the plenary as well as in the appropriate sessions of the Working Groups of the Review Meeting and to make its contribution in plenary.

3. Agenda item 6 of the Review Meeting will be dealt with at plenary meetings and in the Working Groups. The work of the Forum for Security Co-operation and the Security Model Committee, as envisaged in this document, is to be considered an integral part of the review process. An indicative work programme for each Working Group will be decided upon by the first plenary of the Review Meeting after open-ended informal consultations, to be finalized prior to the opening of the Review Meeting. It has been decided, for practical and organizational reasons, to establish the following Working Groups:

WORKING GROUP 1 (23 sessions):

Review of the implementation of all OSCE principles and commitments:

- (a) Implementation of OSCE commitments in the politico-military aspects of security.
(4 sessions)
- (b) Implementation of OSCE commitments in the economic dimension.
(5 sessions)
- (c) Implementation of OSCE commitments in the human dimension.
(13 sessions)
- (d) Conclusions from the discussions of the Working Group.
(1 session)

WORKING GROUP 2 (10 sessions):

Review of OSCE activities, institutions, structures and instruments, including consideration of proposals designed to enhance the role of the OSCE and further strengthen its capabilities:

- (a) Pact on Stability in Europe.
(1 session)
- (b) Operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (elections, human rights, democratization); lessons to be drawn from this experience and developments required.
(2 sessions)
- (c) OSCE relations with others: Mediterranean issues, partners for co-operation, Parliamentary Assembly, role of NGOs and contacts with them.
(2 sessions)
- (d) Administrative, financial and other technical aspects of the Organization.
(1 session)
- (e) The decision-making process, the role and effectiveness of the institutions; the role and effectiveness of OSCE structures.

Operation of existing mechanisms and instruments and new instruments; the operational role of the OSCE: functioning of Missions and other OSCE activities on the ground; preventive diplomacy and crisis management, preparation of OSCE peacekeeping operations, High Commissioner on National Minorities, Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, Directed Conciliation, ad hoc Conciliation and the Valletta Mechanism.
(3 sessions)
- (f) Co-operation with other international organizations and institutions; Conclusions from the discussions of the Working Group.
(1 session)

4. The plenary of the Review Meeting will provide direction to the Working Groups. The plenary, in closed session, may also give guidance on preparatory work to be undertaken in Vienna on the Summit document.

5. In keeping with the increasing openness of OSCE activities, representatives of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) having relevant experience in the area under discussion are free, on the basis of the procedures set out in Annex 1, to attend and contribute to the sessions of Working Group 1(b) and 1(c), as well as to the session of Working Group 2(b) devoted to implementation.

6. Other subsidiary working bodies of the Review Meeting may be set up by the plenary to deal with specific questions.

7. The plenary meetings of the Review Meeting will be open unless otherwise decided.

8. Agenda items 1 and 3 of the Preparatory Meeting will be dealt with in the Committee of the Whole of the Preparatory Meeting. Agenda item 2 will be dealt with by the Committee of the Whole and drafting groups established for this purpose by the Preparatory Meeting.

9. The plenary meetings, Working Group and other subsidiary group meetings of the Review Meeting and the Preparatory Meeting will be held in accordance with the meeting schedule contained in this document. The meeting schedule will be subject to constant review and possible readjustment by the respective plenary or Committee of the Whole.

10. The representatives of the following international organizations and institutions will be invited to make their contributions to the Review Meeting in plenary: the United Nations, Council of Europe, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Western European Union, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, European Investment Bank, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, as well as the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Council of the Baltic Sea States, the Barents Euro-Arctic Council, the Black Sea Economic Co-operation and the Central European Initiative.

In view of their active involvement in the work of the OSCE in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the International Committee of the Red Cross will also be invited to make their contributions in plenary.

The above international organizations and institutions, as well as any others which may be agreed, may be invited to make contributions to appropriate sessions of the Working Groups of the Review Meeting in the context of relevant items.

11. The rules of procedure and the working methods of the OSCE will be applied, *mutatis mutandis*, to the Review Meeting and the Preparatory Meeting.

12. The Chair at the plenary meetings will be taken by a representative of the Chairman-in-Office. The first meeting of each Working Group will be chaired by a representative of the Chairman-in-Office; thereafter the Chair will be rotated meeting by meeting, in French alphabetical order, starting with the representative of Uzbekistan for Working Group 1 and the representative of Belarus for Working Group 2. The current, previous and future Chairmen, as well as relevant rapporteurs, will hold regular consultations on the proceedings in the Working Group.

The representative of the Chairman-in-Office will, after consultations with the participating States, appoint rapporteurs for the Working Groups. One rapporteur should be designated for each of the issues dealt with in Working Group 1 under (a), (b) and (c) and at least one rapporteur for Working Group 2. Their reports, which will not be considered as binding documents, will be presented in the final plenary meeting.

13. The Chair of the Committee of the Whole will be taken by a representative of Portugal.

14. The Review Meeting will be opened in Vienna on 4 November 1996 at 10 a.m. It will be closed on 22 November 1996.

15. The Preparatory Meeting will be opened in Lisbon on 25 November 1996 at 10 a.m. It will be closed on 29 November 1996.

Meeting Schedule

REVIEW MEETING

Working hours: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Week 1	Monday 04.11.96	Tuesday 05.11.96	Wednesday 06.11.96	Thursday 07.11.96	Friday 08.11.96
Morning	Plenary	DG WG 1(c)	(FSC) WG 1(c)	(PC) WG 1(c)	(SMC) WG 1(c)
Afternoon	Plenary WG 1(c)	(SMC) WG 1(c)	DG WG 1(b)	(FSC) WG 1(b)	Plenary WG 1(c)

Week 2	Monday 11.11.96	Tuesday 12.11.96	Wednesday 13.11.96	Thursday 14.11.96	Friday 15.11.96
Morning	(FSC) WG 1(c)	DG WG 1(c)	(FSC) WG 1(c)	(PC) WG 1(c)	(SMC) WG 1(c)
Afternoon	DG WG 1(b)	(SMC) WG 1(a)	WG 1(b) WG 2(a)	(FSC) WG 1(b)	WG 1(c) WG 2(b)

Week 3	Monday 18.11.96	Tuesday 19.11.96	Wednesday 20.11.96	Thursday 21.11.96	Friday 22.11.96
Morning	Plenary WG 2(b)	DG WG 2(c)	DG WG 2(e)	(PC) WG 2(e)	Plenary
Afternoon	WG 1(a) WG 2(c)	WG 1(a) WG 2(d)	WG 1(a) WG 2(e)	WG 1(d) WG 2 (f)	

- WG 1 23 sessions
- WG 2 10 sessions
- DG Slots reserved for informal consultations on the Lisbon Summit Document(s)
- (PC) Slots reserved for Permanent Council meetings
- (SMC) Slots reserved for meetings of the Security Model Committee
- (FSC) Slots reserved for meetings of the Forum for Security Co-operation

LISBON PREPARATORY MEETING

	Monday 25.11.96	Tuesday 26.11.96	Wednesday 27.11.96	Thursday 28.11.96	Friday 29.11.96
Morning	COW	DG	DG	DG	DG
Afternoon	DG	DG	DG	DG	COW

COW Committee of the Whole

Concerning Section II, paragraph 5:

Representatives of NGOs are invited to make written presentations through the OSCE Secretariat on the basis of which they may address specific questions orally as appropriate. Each contribution will not exceed five minutes.

All NGOs wishing to attend the meetings of Working Group 1(b), Working Group 1(c) or the session of Working Group 2(b) devoted to implementation, will be admitted, subject to provisions contained in Chapter IV, paragraph 15 and 16 of the Helsinki Document 1992. Prior to the meetings, the OSCE Secretary General, in consultation with the ODIHR, will distribute to all participating States a list of the NGOs intending to participate. The Secretary General will keep participating States regularly informed of additional NGOs wishing to attend the meetings of the Working Groups. Should questions arise concerning the application of Chapter IV, paragraph 16, of the Helsinki Document 1992, the Secretary General, assisted by the ODIHR, will undertake consultations to ensure that any decision on the matter is in conformity with the provisions of the said paragraph and is based on the views of the interested participating States.

Interpretative statement under paragraph 79 (Chapter 6) of
the Final Recommendations of the Helsinki Consultations

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

"Given the need to deal in a timely fashion with questions relating to the Review Meeting, the Preparatory Meeting and the OSCE Lisbon Summit, the Russian Federation approves the adoption of appropriate decisions by the Permanent Council.

At the same time it feels bound to express a negative view of certain attempts to establish in those decisions a sort of hierarchy of international organizations and institutions invited to the Review Meeting, the Preparatory Meeting and the Summit. The wording of the invitation to international organizations and institutions is, we feel, discriminatory in relation to a number of regional structures, including the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Council of Baltic Sea States, the Central European Initiative and others.

In view of the positive reception by the overwhelming majority of OSCE participating States of the suggestions made by us, the Russian Federation reserves the right to raise once again the question of introducing amendments to OSCE documents in which the international organizations and institutions invited to participate in various OSCE activities are listed."