

**535th Plenary Meeting**

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**DECISION No. 636  
GRANTING OF THE STATUS OF PARTNER FOR CO-OPERATION  
TO MONGOLIA**

The Permanent Council,

Noting with appreciation the letter by the Foreign Minister of Mongolia, dated 19 November 2004 (CIO.GAL/108/04), requesting that Mongolia be granted the status of Partner for Co-operation,

Noting with satisfaction that Mongolia has supported the OSCE principles and objectives since its beginning as a Helsinki process in 1973 and shares its comprehensive and co-operative approach to security and related issues of economic and human development,

Noting also that Mongolia shares common borders with the OSCE and is interested in establishing close relations with the OSCE through the exchange of views and information on various issues of mutual interest and participation in OSCE meetings and activities,

Recalling Permanent Council Decision No. 430, dated 19 July 2001, taking note and welcoming the report on recommendations concerning future applications for partnership (PC.DEL/344/01/Rev.3),

Decides:

- To welcome Mongolia as a Partner for Co-operation;
- To invite Mongolia to meetings of Heads of State or Government, to Review Conferences, and to meetings of the Ministerial Council;
- To invite Mongolia to Human Dimension Implementation Meetings and Supplementary Human Dimension Meetings in accordance with Permanent Council Decision No. 476;
- To invite Mongolia to the meetings of the Economic Forum and the Annual Security Review Conference;
- To invite Mongolia on a case-by-case basis to OSCE seminars and ad hoc meetings on subjects which are of mutual interest;

- To further invite Mongolia to be involved in other OSCE events on the same terms as those for existing partner States;
- To request the Secretary General and the Chairmanship-in-Office to make arrangements for more regular exchanges of views and information between the OSCE and Mongolia, including access to official OSCE documents, on various matters of mutual interest and possibilities for co-operation.

The Permanent Council will review the above decision in the light of experience and any other procedures that may be developed concerning relations with Partners for Co-operation.

Furthermore decides that the Troika of the OSCE, through the Chairmanship will, on a regular basis, bring to the attention of the Permanent Council any issue relating to the improvement of the co-operation between the two organizations. In order to ensure the necessary policy guidance from the participating States, as well as full transparency, discussions in the Permanent Council on such issues should take place at least before and after each meeting of the Co-ordination Group;

Also decides that:

- The Co-ordination Group will meet as necessary and at least every six months. The meetings will be hosted alternately by the OSCE and the CoE;
- The Co-ordination Group, will act under the supervision of the decision-making bodies of the two organizations and be assisted by the Secretariats, which will be responsible for preparing these meetings in co-operation with the current Chairmanships of the OSCE and the CoE;
- The Co-ordination Group will examine co-operation between the two organizations and make proposals for concrete follow-up. The Group will focus on co-operation in areas identified as priorities by both sides and subject to review. Focal points from the two sides will be appointed in the selected areas. They will liaise with each other and propose to the Co-ordination Group concrete ideas for improving co-operation. The focal points will be appointed from within existing structures, staff and budgets;

The Co-ordination Group will also make proposals for the joint meeting of the Permanent Council of the OSCE and the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe to be held no later than in April 2005 to prepare a possible document on enhancing the co-operation between the two organizations which could be signed at the Warsaw Summit on 16 and 17 May 2005;

High-level “2+2/3+3” meetings will take into account the feedback from the Co-ordination Group.