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United States Mission to the OSCE

Invitation to ODIHR to Observe Elections in the United States in November

As delivered by Ambassador Julie Finley to the Permanent Council, Vienna June 29, 2006

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

We would like to inform the Permanent Council that, in line with the Copenhagen commitments, the United States has issued a formal invitation to the OSCE to observe the elections for the 110th Congress, to be held on November 7th, 2006. The United States supports fully the OSCE's important work, in particular its election observation efforts, in promoting free and fair electionsthroughout the OSCE community.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.