

**FIRST DAY OF THE SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE  
MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

**OPENING SESSION (OPEN)**

1. Date: Thursday, 4 December 2008

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 10.50 a.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Alexander Stubb, Minister for Foreign Affairs  
of Finland, Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE

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

Agenda item 1: FORMAL OPENING

The Chairperson formally opened the Sixteenth Meeting of the OSCE  
Ministerial Council.

Agenda item 2: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chairperson

The agenda for the Sixteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council was  
adopted and is annexed hereto.

Agenda item 3: ADDRESSES BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
HOST COUNTRY

H.E. Tarja Halonen, President of Finland, addressed the Meeting  
(MC.DEL/11/08).

Agenda item 4: ADDRESS BY THE OSCE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

H.E. Alexander Stubb, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland,  
Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE, addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/8/08).

Agenda item 5: ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE OSCE  
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

H.E. João Soares, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/5/08).

Agenda item 6: REPORT BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OSCE

H.E. Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, Secretary General of the OSCE, addressed the Meeting (MC.DEL/12/08).

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 4 December 2008, at 10.50 a.m., in the plenary hall

## **FIRST PLENARY SESSION (CLOSED)**

1. Date: Thursday, 4 December 2008

Opened: 10.50 a.m.

Closed: 1.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Alexander Stubb, Minister for Foreign Affairs  
of Finland, Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE

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

Agenda item 7: STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATIONS

France-European Union (MC.DEL/13/08), France-European Union (European Commission), Kyrgyzstan (MC.DEL/20/08), Germany (MC.DEL/14/08), Hungary (MC.DEL/26/08), Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine) (MC.DEL/83/08), Georgia (MC.DEL/83/08), Ukraine (MC.DEL/31/08), Greece (MC.DEL/17/08), Holy See (MC.DEL/16/08), Austria (MC.DEL/18/08), Netherlands (MC.DEL/19/08), United Kingdom (MC.DEL/27/08), Serbia (MC.DEL/39/08), Bulgaria (MC.DEL/23/08), Spain (MC.DEL/24/08)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 4 December 2008, at 3.30 p.m., in the plenary hall

## SECOND PLENARY SESSION (CLOSED)

1. Date: Thursday, 4 December 2008  
  
Opened: 4.00 p.m.  
Closed: 6.40 p.m.
  
2. Chairperson: H.E. Angel Lossada Torres-Quevedo, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Spain
  
3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions/documents adopted:  
  
Agenda item 7: STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATIONS (continued)  
  
Montenegro (MC.DEL/37/08), Romania (MC.DEL/30/08), Liechtenstein (MC.DEL/9/08), Lithuania (MC.DEL/33/08), Switzerland (MC.DEL/34/08), Slovenia (MC.DEL/7/08), Poland (MC.DEL/51/08), Slovakia (MC.DEL/10/08/Rev.1), Kazakhstan (MC.DEL/53/08), Bosnia and Herzegovina (MC.DEL/36/08), United States of America (MC.DEL/28/08), Luxembourg (MC.DEL/25/08), Turkmenistan (MC.DEL/77/08), Azerbaijan (MC.DEL/43/08), Belgium (MC.DEL/29/08), Ireland (MC.DEL/32/08), Italy (MC.DEL/35/08), Andorra (MC.DEL/42/08), Sweden (MC.DEL/79/08), Canada, Estonia (MC.DEL/64/08), Czech Republic (MC.DEL/40/08)
  
4. Next meeting:  
  
Friday, 5 December 2008, at 9.30 a.m., in the plenary hall



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**AGENDA FOR THE SIXTEENTH MEETING  
OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

(Helsinki, 4 and 5 December 2008)

1. Formal opening
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Addresses by representatives of the host country
4. Address by the OSCE Chairman-in-Office
5. Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
6. Report by the Secretary General of the OSCE
7. Statements by heads of delegations
8. Adoption of Ministerial Council documents
9. Any other business
10. Formal closure (statements by the current and incoming Chairpersons-in-Office)