
Bulgarian Chairmanship**525th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 16 September 2004

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 1.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. I. Petrov

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Iceland to the OSCE, Mr. Sveinn Björnsson, and the new Ambassador of Japan (Partner for Co-operation) to Austria, Mr. Itaru Umezu.

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions:

Agenda item 1: **REPORT BY THE OSCE REPRESENTATIVE ON
FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA**

Representative on Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/21/04/Rev.2), Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/878/04), United States of America (PC.DEL/872/04), Russian Federation, Belarus (PC.DEL/885/04), Switzerland, Azerbaijan, Moldova (PC.DEL/870/04), Armenia, Canada, Ukraine, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: **REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES**

(a) *Situation in the Transdniestrian region of Moldova:* Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/880/04), United States of America (PC.DEL/873/04), Ukraine, Moldova (PC.DEL/871/04), Chairperson

(b) *Situation in Nagorno-Karabakh:* Azerbaijan, Ukraine (also on behalf of Georgia and Moldova), Turkey, France (Co-Chair of the Minsk Group), Armenia, Chairperson

- (c) *Japan's policy towards Central Asia: Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/867/04), Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/879/04), United States of America (PC.DEL/876/04/Rev.1), Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Canada, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/884/04), Kyrgyzstan (PC.DEL/869/04), Chairperson*
- (d) *Announcement of a European Union declaration on the Gongadze case: Netherlands-European Union (PC.DEL/881/04), Ukraine*
- (e) *Visit of OSCE ambassadors to Georgia: Georgia (PC.DEL/883/04/Rev.1 Restr.), Chairperson*

Agenda item 3: **REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE OSCE SPILLOVER
MONITOR MISSION TO SKOPJE**

Head of the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje (PC.FR/24/04/Rev.1), Switzerland, Russian Federation, Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/882/04), United States of America (PC.DEL/875/04), Canada, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Chairperson

Agenda item 4: **REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE**

Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/87/04 OSCE+): Chairperson

Agenda item 5: **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL**

Announcement of the distribution of the written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/207/04 Restr.): Chairperson

Agenda item 6: **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Second Joint Forum of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the European Union, to be held in Istanbul, on 4 and 5 October 2004: Turkey (PC.DEL/874/04)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 23 September 2004, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal