

**Statement made by H.E. Ambassador Sveinn Björnsson
Permanent Representative of Iceland to the OSCE
on general elections in Iceland
at the 659th meeting of the Permanent Council on 29 March 2007**

Mr. Chairman,

I would like to inform the Permanent Council that the next Parliamentary elections in Iceland will be held on 12 May 2007.

In accordance with its commitments under the Copenhagen Document, Iceland has invited the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) to consider sending an observation mission to these elections.

At the same time, observers from the participating States who may wish to observe these elections, would be most welcome.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.