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1246th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 7 November 2019

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1 p.m.
Resumed: 3.10 p.m.
Closed: 5.40 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador R. Boháč

Ambassador K. Žáková

Mr. B. Pavlovič

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON NATIONAL MINORITIES

Chairperson, High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM.GAL/9/19/Rev.1), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1246/19), Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1265/19), Norway (PC.DEL/1276/19), Turkey, Switzerland (PC.DEL/1270/19 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1247/19), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1257/19), Turkmenistan, Albania (PC.DEL/1278/19 OSCE+), Kazakhstan, Georgia (PC.DEL/1268/19 OSCE+), Hungary (PC.DEL/1245/19 OSCE+), Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Latvia (PC.DEL/1277/19 OSCE+), Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/1256/19 OSCE+), North Macedonia (PC.DEL/1263/19 OSCE+), Tajikistan

Agenda item 2: ADDRESS BY THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE MINSK GROUP

Discussion under agenda item 4

Agenda item 3: ADDRESS BY THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF

THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE ON THE CONFLICT DEALT WITH BY THE OSCE MINSK CONFERENCE

Discussion under agenda item 4

Agenda item 4: REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE HIGH-LEVEL PLANNING GROUP

Chairperson, Co-Chair of the Minsk Group (Russian Federation), Co-Chair of the Minsk Group (France), Co-Chair of the Minsk Group (United States of America), Personal Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office on the Conflict Dealt with by the OSCE Minsk Conference, Head of the High-Level Planning Group, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1249/19), Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1267/19), Turkey (PC.DEL/1274/19 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1248/19), Switzerland (PC.DEL/1271/19 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1255/19), Georgia (PC.DEL/1269/19 OSCE+), Armenia (PC.DEL/1262/19 OSCE+), OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, France, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1253/19 OSCE+) (PC.DEL/1254/19 OSCE+) (PC.DEL/1273/19 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

- (a) Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine and illegal occupation of Crimea: Ukraine (PC.DEL/1259/19), Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1266/19), Turkey (PC.DEL/1275/19 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/1272/19 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1250/19), Canada
- (b) Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1251/19), Ukraine
- (c) *Political persecution in Lithuania*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1252/19), Lithuania

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMANSHIP-IN-OFFICE

- (a) Conference to promote progress in the Transdniestrian settlement process, held in Murnau am Staffelsee, Germany, on 4 and 5 November 2019: Chairperson
- (b) Ambassadorial retreat held in Rajecké Teplice, Slovakia, on 4 and 5 November 2019: Chairperson
- (c) Reinforced ambassadorial retreat to be held in Bratislava on 19 November 2019: Chairperson
- (d) Update on the OSCE Chairmanship in 2021: Chairperson
- (e) Drawing of lots to establish the order of statements for the Twenty-Sixth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, to be carried out on 14 November 2019: Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+): Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance
- (b) Visit of the Secretary General to Moscow on 31 October and 1 November 2019: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+), France, Russian Federation, Chairperson
- (c) Visit of the Secretary General to Amman on 5 to 6 November 2019: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+)
- (d) Follow-up visit to Romania undertaken on 5 and 6 November 2019 by the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+)
- (e) Third OSCE-wide Seminar on Passenger Data Exchange, held in Vienna on 31 October and 1 November 2019: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+)
- (f) Final call for nominations for the 2019 White Ribbon awards for the promotion of gender equality in the OSCE area: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+)
- (g) OSCE Security Days round table on "A human rights-centred approach to technology and security", to be held in Vienna on 8 November 2019: Acting Director of the Department of Management and Finance (SEC.GAL/189/19 OSCE+)

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Update on the investigation into the discovery of bodies in a shipping container in Essex, United Kingdom: United Kingdom
- (b) General election in the United Kingdom, to be held on 12 December 2019: United Kingdom

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 14 November 2019, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal