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1. Date: Thursday, 11 July 2019

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1 p.m.
Resumed: 3 p.m.
Closed: 5.10 p.m.

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

Mr. S. Kantor

Before taking up the agenda, the Chairperson welcomed the new Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the OSCE, H.E. Ambassador James S. Gilmore.

The Chairperson offered his condolences to the delegation of Armenia on the passing away of the former Permanent Representative of Armenia to the OSCE, H.E. Ambassador Arman Kirakossian. Armenia thanked the Chairperson for his expression of sympathy.

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE ACTING MINISTER FOR EUROPE

AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ALBANIA,

H.E. MR. GENT CAKAJ

Chairperson, Acting Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs of Albania (PC.DEL/837/19/Rev.1 OSCE+), Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/897/19), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/856/19), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/858/19 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/896/19 OSCE+), Kyrgyzstan, United States of America, Ukraine (PC.DEL/867/19), Switzerland (PC.DEL/880/19 OSCE+), Armenia (PC.DEL/885/19), Norway (PC.DEL/877/19), Canada (PC.DEL/882/19

OSCE+), Holy See (PC.DEL/875/19 OSCE+), Belarus (PC.DEL/871/19 OSCE+), Georgia (PC.DEL/890/19/Rev.1 OSCE+), Kazakhstan, Serbia (PC.DEL/865/19 OSCE+), Republic of Korea (Partner for Co-operation)

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE OSCE MISSION TO SKOPJE

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Mission to Skopje, Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/899/19), Switzerland (PC.DEL/860/19 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/857/19), Turkey (PC.DEL/879/19 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/878/19), United States of America (PC.DEL/886/19), North Macedonia (PC.DEL/872/19 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

- (a) Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine and illegal occupation of Crimea: Ukraine (PC.DEL/866/19), 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/898/19), Switzerland (PC.DEL/888/19 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/893/19 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/881/19)
- (b) Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/861/19)
- (c) Twenty-fourth anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina: Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/900/19), United States of America (PC.DEL/887/19), Switzerland (PC.DEL/864/19 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/859/19), Turkey, Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/870/19 OSCE+)
- (d) Violation by Kiev of religious rights and persecution of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Ukraine: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/863/19), Ukraine (PC.DEL/868/19)

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

(a) OSCE Informal Ministerial Gathering, held in the High Tatra Mountains, Slovakia, on 8 and 9 July 2019: Chairperson

(b) Second Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting for 2019 (on "Effective Multilateralism in the OSCE Human Dimension"), to be held in Vienna on 15 and 16 July 2019: Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) Participation of the Secretary General in the OSCE Informal Ministerial Gathering, held in the High Tatra Mountains, Slovakia, on 8 and 9 July 2019: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/130/19 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/130/19/Add.1 OSCE+)
- (b) Participation of the Secretary General in the 28th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, held in Luxembourg from 4 to 8 July 2019: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/130/19 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/130/19/Add.1 OSCE+)
- (c) Participation of the Secretary General in the 920th Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Forum for Security Co-operation (specifically in the Security Dialogue on synergies among regional organizations in Central Asia), held in Vienna on 10 July 2019: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/130/19 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/130/19/Add.1 OSCE+)
- (d) Participation of the Secretary General in the high-level discussion on "Promoting the Role of Women in Addressing Environment and Security Challenges", held in Vienna on 5 July 2019: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/130/19 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/130/19/Add.1 OSCE+)
- (e) Meeting of the Secretary General with the Executive Secretary of the Commonwealth of Independent States, held in Vienna on 26 June 2019: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/130/19 OSCE+) (SEC.GAL/130/19/Add.1 OSCE+)

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Farewell to the Permanent Representative of France to the OSCE, Ambassador V. Roger-Lacan: Chairperson, France
- (b) Briefing on the 28th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, held in Luxembourg from 4 to 8 July 2019: OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Russian Federation

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

Thursday, 18 July 2019, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal