

FSC.JOUR/751 12 February 2014

Chairmanship: Malta

745th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 12 February 2014

Opened: 10 a.m. Closed: 11.15 a.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador K. Azzopardi
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE

- Fighting Against Illicit Maritime Trafficking of SALW a Corporate Code of Conduct for the French Vessel Owners Corporation, by Mr. S. Delfau, Group Security and Regulatory Manager, CMA CGM Group: Chairperson, Mr. S. Delfau (FSC.DEL/16/14 OSCE+) (FSC.DEL/16/14/Add.1 OSCE+) (FSC.DEL/16/14/Add.2 OSCE+), Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/21/14), Spain, Belgium, Chairperson of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons (Spain)
- Comprehensive Conventional Ammunition Stockpile Management Programme in the Republic of Moldova, by Colonel A. Şarban, Deputy Chief of the General Staff of the National Army of the Republic of Moldova: Chairperson, Colonel A. Şarban (FSC.DEL/15/14 OSCE+), Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/22/14), Austria (also on behalf of Canada, Germany, Sweden and Switzerland) (Annex 1), Moldova, FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small

Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (United States of America)

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

None

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE GLOBAL EXCHANGE OF MILITARY INFORMATION FOR 2014

Chairperson

Decision: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 1/14 (FSC.DEC/1/14) on the change of date for the Global Exchange of Military Information for 2014, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Distribution of food-for-thought papers relating to the twenty-fourth Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting, to be held on 4 and 5 March 2014 (FSC.AIAM/1/14 OSCE+) (FSC.AIAM/2/14 OSCE+) (FSC.AIAM/3/14 OSCE+): Chairperson
- (b) *Matters of protocol*: Greece-European Union, Moldova, Slovakia
- (c) Workshop on the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, to be held in Switzerland from 5 to 9 May 2014: Switzerland (Annex 2)
- 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 19 February 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF AUSTRIA (ALSO ON BEHALF OF GERMANY, CANADA, SWEDEN AND SWITZERLAND)

Mr. Chairperson,

Ministerial Council Decision No. 8/13 on small arms and light weapons (SALW) and stockpiles of conventional ammunition (SCA) invites participating States to provide extrabudgetary contributions to support FSC assistance projects on SALW and SCA, or to contribute resources and technical expertise to the OSCE's comprehensive programme on SALW and SCA. The same Ministerial Council decision also tasks the FSC with discussing issues related to the engagement of personnel of participating States involved in projects, such as the status of these experts, in order to facilitate procedures for providing assistance.

In this regard, Austria, Germany, Canada, Sweden and Switzerland will contribute to the physical security and stockpile management activities related to the development and introduction of the management of the life cycle of ammunition in Moldova. Over the next years, we will endeavour to support the Moldovan authorities in developing their own ammunition-related training and skills, in accordance with international standards and best practices. Moldovan national army specialists will be trained in safe and secure handling, storage and transportation of conventional ammunition, in accordance with the newly approved national regulations of the Ministry of Defence of Moldova under the CASM Assistance program, component VIII.

In order to guarantee the sustainability of the project, the training programme will be integrated into that of the Moldovan armed forces training institution and systematically delivered as part of the national training curriculum.

By providing this assistance, we aim to contribute to stability in Moldova and to raise the level of confidence and trust in the country by ensuring the safe and secure storage of conventional ammunition.

Mr. Chairperson,

The co-sponsoring countries will take the project a long way forward over the next years. In collaborating with the OSCE Mission to Moldova and the authorities of Moldova, we are looking forward to a successful start of the project next month, leading to tangible improvements in security and stability. Under the co-ordination of CPC Security Co-operation Officer we planned a co-operation mechanism, including defined Project Management Reviews, which are vital to our work.

Finally, this project could serve as a model case, not only in terms of effective project support with the expertise of participating States, but also in the context of solving the status question raised in Ministerial Council Decision No. 8/13.

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Mr. Chairperson, may I request to attach this statement to the journal of today's meeting.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SWITZERLAND

Dear Mr. Chairperson, Excellencies, Dear colleagues,

As the awareness raising, better implementation and the outreach of the OSCE Code of Conduct is not only traditionally in the focus of the Swiss delegation but also part of the priorities of the Swiss Chairmanship in the context of the governance of the security sector, I can announce today that Switzerland intends to organize a three-day workshop on the subject in Switzerland during the week from 5 to 9 May of this year. This date was defined in consultation with the FSC Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct as an element of the plan of Code of Conduct related activities during 2014. Further information on agenda and modalities will follow in due course.

I kindly request this announcement to be added to the journal of the day.

Thank you for your attention.



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DECISION No. 1/14 CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE GLOBAL EXCHANGE OF MILITARY INFORMATION FOR 2014

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Recalling paragraph 1 of the Global Exchange of Military Information (DOC.FSC/5/96), according to which participating States shall provide information not later than 30 April of each year,

Noting that the OSCE spring recess for the calendar year 2014 occurs from 12 to 27 April and the official OSCE holiday on 1 May,

Decides:

Information pursuant to the Global Exchange of Military Information for 2014 will be provided not later than 7 May 2014, on an exceptional basis for this year only.