

**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA**

**PRESS RELEASE**

On 6 March 2005, parliamentary elections will be held in the Republic of Moldova. The Moldovan authorities are undertaking all possible measures in view of ensuring necessary conditions for exercising freely the constitutional right of every citizen to cast the vote.

Guided by the will to guarantee a fair and transparent electoral campaign, in compliance with the international democratic standards, the Republic of Moldova has invited international observers, including from the OSCE, Council of Europe and European Parliament, to participate most actively in monitoring the electoral process with a large presence. The ODIHR/OSCE and Council of Europe monitoring Missions are already carrying out their tasks on the ground.

In this context, the leadership of the Republic of Moldova expresses high appreciation for the performed activity and valuable expertise offered by these missions. The Moldovan authorities hope that all interested states have delegated their national experts to the monitoring missions and thank them for their good will to contribute to observing the democratic exercise of monitoring the elections.

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