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919th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. Date: Wednesday, 3 July 2019

Opened: 10.05 a.m. Suspended: 12.55 p.m. Resumed: 3.05 p.m. Closed: 3.35 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador I. Kalandar

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

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE ON THE ROLE OF CSBMS IN

CENTRAL ASIA: "THE ROLE OF THE CONFERENCE ON

INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING

MEASURES IN ASIA (CICA) IN REGIONAL SECURITY"

- Presentation by Mr. H. Mirzozoda, Executive Director, CICA Secretariat
- Presentation by Mr. D. Singh, Representative of the CICA Secretariat
- Presentation by Ms. A. Nazarbetova, Head of International Studies,
 Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies (KAZISS)

Chairperson, Mr. H. Mirzozoda, Mr. D. Singh, Ms. A. Nazarbetova, Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/144/19), Kazakhstan, Slovakia, Turkey, Russian Federation, Azerbaijan

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON THE DATE OF THE 2019 MEETING OF THE HEADS OF VERIFICATION CENTRES

Chairperson

<u>Decision</u>: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 4/19 (FSC.DEC/4/19) on the date of the 2019 Meeting of the Heads of the Verification Centres, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 3: GENERAL STATEMENTS

Situation in and around Ukraine: Ukraine, 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 Andorra, Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/143/19), Russian Federation, United States of America, Canada, United Kingdom

Agenda item 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Note verbale received by the OSCE Chairmanship on 15 February 2019 regarding the official name of the respective participating State (CIO.GAL/24/19 OSCE+): Chairperson (Annex 1)
- (b) Meeting of the Group of Friends of Mediation, to be held in Vienna on 5 July 2019: Switzerland (also on behalf of Finland and Turkey)
- (c) Briefing on a snap military exercise conducted from 24 to 28 June 2019: Russian Federation
- (d) Request for support in the implementation of the Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Control Strategy in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Bosnia and Herzegovina (Annex 2), FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary)
- (e) Meeting of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition, to be held in Vienna on 18 July 2019: FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary) (on behalf of the Chairperson of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Latvia))
- (f) Expert consultations on an Armenian assistance request, to be held in Vienna on 18 July 2019: FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), Azerbaijan, Armenia, Turkey, Slovenia
- (g) "From Budapest to Budapest (1994–2019)", symposium to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, to be held in Budapest from 16 to 18 October 2019

(SEC.GAL/122/19 OSCE+): FSC Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (Romania)

(h) Matters of protocol: Romania, Armenia

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

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



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STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRPERSON

Recalling the letter of the Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council dated 15 February 2019 (CIO.GAL/24/19), the official name of the respective participating State will be referred to accordingly in the framework of the Forum for Security Co-operation.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Mr. Chairperson, Excellencies, Dear colleagues,

The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the OSCE the assurance of its highest consideration, and has the honour to apply for assistance in the area of small arms and light weapons (SALW) and stockpiles of conventional ammunition.

In accordance with the priorities defined by the Strategy for SALW Control in Bosnia and Herzegovina and its accompanying Action Plan, we invite the OSCE to provide practical assistance in the following areas:

- 1. Support the establishment of the legislative framework on deactivation and its due practical implementation;
- 2. Assessment of the SALW and ammunition storage infrastructure of the law enforcement agencies, including the need for upgrading in line with the OSCE best practices;
- 3. Community outreach on SALW control in Bosnia and Herzegovina through:
- (a) Support to the Coordination Board for SALW Control in Bosnia and Herzegovina on outreach to all branches of the government on the importance of SALW control, the Strategy for SALW Control, and the Action Plan;
- (b) Support to the outreach of the Coordination Board to all the cantons on the importance of SALW control and its practical implementation;
- (c) Identification of key messages, potential target groups and potential partners in the development of outreach and communication campaigns, and the development of key messages;
- (d) Strengthening partnerships with and capacity-building of civil society organizations throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina in addressing issues related to SALW control,

including but not limited to gender-based violence, SALW misuse, and armed violence and its impact on local communities; and

- (e) Support to the Bosnia and Herzegovina authorities in planning, designing and implementing targeted or nation-wide outreach campaigns related to improved SALW control (including gender-based violence);
- 4. Building the capacities of the Bosnia and Herzegovina police agencies in strengthening their K9 capabilities in detecting weapons and explosives; and
- 5. Support to the Bosnia and Herzegovina authorities in establishing and co-ordinating the law enforcement and judiciary track record on SALW.

Accordingly, we invite the OSCE to let us have prompt reactions on these matters.

Concerning all further action on this matter, OSCE specialists should liaise with the National Coordinator of the Coordination Board for SALW Control in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr. Ermin Pesto, Assistant Minister of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I kindly ask that this request be attached to the journal of the day.



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DECISION No. 4/19 DATE OF THE 2019 MEETING OF THE HEADS OF VERIFICATION CENTRES

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming that the OSCE Vienna Document 2011 (VD 2011) remains a key instrument for confidence- and security-building measures (CSBMs), and noting that the Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting (AIAM) provides an important forum for discussing the implementation of agreed measures under the provisions of the VD 2011,

Taking note of the discussions conducted and views expressed during the twenty-ninth AIAM,

Recognizing that the aim of the Meeting of the Heads of Verification Centres is to exchange experiences and information on technical aspects of the implementation of agreed confidence- and security-building measures,

Decides:

- 1. To call for the 2019 Meeting of the Heads of Verification Centres to be held in Vienna, starting with an afternoon session on 11 December 2019 and continuing on 12 December 2019;
- 2. To task the Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC) with preparing and chairing the meeting;
- 3. To task the CPC with reporting on the 2019 Meeting of the Heads of Verification Centres at the opening session of the thirtieth AIAM.