

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council PC.JOUR/861 12 May 2011

Chairmanship: Lithuania

861st PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 12 May 2011

Opened:10.05 a.m.Closed:12.05 p.m.

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

Agenda item 1: OSCE OFFICE IN TAJIKISTAN

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Office in Tajikistan (PC.FR/12/11 OSCE+), Hungary-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; as well as Andorra and Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/429/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/425/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/433/11), Belarus (PC.DEL/427/11), Norway (PC.DEL/428/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/432/11 OSCE+), Tajikistan (PC.DEL/431/11/Rev.1 OSCE+)

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Recent developments in Armenia: Hungary-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/430/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/426/11), Armenia

Agenda item 3: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) Participation of an OSCE delegation in the fifth meeting of the Eastern Partnership Platform on Democracy, Good Governance and Stability, held in Brussels on 6 May 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)
- (b) Attendance by the Chairperson-in-Office at the 121st session of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, held in Istanbul, Turkey, on 10 and 11 May 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)
- (c) Visit to Tbilisi, Sukhumi and Tskhinvali by the Co-Chairs of the Geneva Discussions from 9 to 13 May 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)
- (d) Upcoming visit by the Co-Chairs of the Geneva Discussions to Moscow on 23 and 24 May 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)
- (e) Sixteenth round of the Geneva Discussions on security and stability in the South Caucasus, to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on 6 and 7 June 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)
- (f) *Selection process for the position of Secretary General*: Russian Federation, Chairperson (CIO.GAL/90/11)

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/83/11 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Day to commemorate the abolition of slavery, held in France on 10 May 2011: France (SEC.DEL/179/11)
- (b) *Ambassadorial retreat to be held in Baden, Austria, on 23 and 24 June 2011:* Chairperson
- (c) Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Greece to the OSCE, Ambassador Mara Marinaki: Chairperson, Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), Greece
- 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 19 May 2011, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal