

Portuguese Chairmanship

411th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 26 September 2002

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 1.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. F. Seixas da Costa
Mr. C. Pais

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND
HUMAN RIGHTS

Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Head of the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje (PC.FR/32/02/Rev.1 Restr.), Denmark-European Union (with the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union and the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/729/02), United States of America, Switzerland, Russian Federation, Norway, Turkey, Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Moldova), Albania (PC.DEL/730/02 Restr.), Canada, Yugoslavia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: OSCE SPILLOVER MONITOR MISSION TO SKOPJE

Discussion under agenda item 1

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE AGENDA AND MODALITIES OF THE
2002 MEDITERRANEAN SEMINAR

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 496 (PC.DEC/496), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the agenda and modalities of the 2002 Mediterranean Seminar.

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Recent developments in the territories neighbouring the Georgian-Russian State border:* Georgia, United States of America, Canada, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/733/02), Denmark-European Union (with Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic in alignment) (PC.DEL/727/02), Turkey (PC.DEL/726/02), Norway, Chairperson
- (b) *Voluntary Fund contribution towards the withdrawal of Russian military armaments from Georgia and Moldova:* United States of America, Georgia, Moldova, Turkey, Chairperson, Russian Federation
- (c) *Retraction of decree banning public meetings in Kyrgyzstan:* Kyrgyzstan, United States of America, Canada, Chairperson
- (d) *Freedom of media in Tajikistan:* United States of America, Canada, Switzerland, Tajikistan (PC.DEL/735/02), Chairperson
- (e) *Situation in Belarus:* Denmark-European Union (with the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union and the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/728/02), Canada, United States of America, Belarus, Chairperson
- (f) *Recent developments in South Ossetia, Georgia:* Georgia, Russian Federation, Chairperson
- (g) *Mandate of the OSCE Mission to Tajikistan:* Chairperson
- (h) *Appointment of the Head of the OSCE Centre in Tashkent:* Chairperson
- (i) *Vacancy for the post of Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights:* Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *2003 Unified Budget:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/174/02)
- (b) *Extrabudgetary contributions:* Secretary General
- (c) *Travel of the Secretary General:* Secretary General

- (d) *Follow-up to the meeting with regional and subregional organizations and initiatives, held in Vienna on 6 September 2002: Secretary General*
- (e) *OSCE economic dimension: Secretary General*
- (f) *Mediterranean seminar on the media and new technologies: implications for governments, international organizations and civil society, to be held in Rhodes, Greece, on 4 and 5 November 2002: Secretary General*
- (g) *Police matters: Secretary General*

Agenda item 7: BRIEFING ON OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES

None

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Establishment of the open-ended informal working group on tolerance: Chairperson, Switzerland, Kyrgyzstan*
- (b) *Local self-government elections to be held in Armenia on 20 October 2002: Armenia (PC.DEL/731/02 Restr.)*
- (c) *Matters of protocol: Chairperson, Dean of the Permanent Council (Austria), Bulgaria*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 3 October 2002, at 10 a.m., in the Grosser Redoutensaal