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307th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 22 November 2000

Opened: 10.25 a.m. Closed: 11.40 a.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Mr. J. Schellaars
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions:</u>

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

<u>Chairperson's statement</u>: The Chairperson made a statement on the periods for visits to air bases and to military facilities/formations, the text of which is annexed to this Journal.

Chairperson, Finland (also on behalf of the Russian Federation and Sweden) (FSC.DEL/471/00) (FSC.DEL/472/00), Germany, Russian Federation, Switzerland, Denmark, Canada, Sweden, Ukraine, Belarus, France, United Kingdom, United States of America, Spain, Poland, Italy, Greece

Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

Tenth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe: Russian Federation (SEC.DEL/312/00), Chairperson

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Enhancement of FSC Support Unit within the Conflict Prevention Centre: Chairperson
- (b) OSCE Communications Network: Chairperson (FSC.DEL/473/00 Restr.), United States of America, Russian Federation, United Kingdom

- (c) Ratification of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty: Ukraine (SEC.DEL/314/00), Chairperson
- (d) Reminder of the expired deadlines for annual calendars and constraining provisions: Conflict Prevention Centre
- (e) Annual Exchange of Information: Conflict Prevention Centre, Netherlands, Belarus, Ukraine, Russian Federation, Poland, Sweden, United States of America

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

Friday, 24 November 2000, at 3 p.m., in the Neuer Saal



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CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT

Vienna Document 1999, Chapter IV, paragraph 20 sets out a common five-year period, which started on 1 January 1997, for all participating States to arrange air base visits.

Vienna document 1999, Chapter IV, paragraph 30.6 states that the modalities governing air base visits will, *mutatis mutandis*, be applied to visits to military facilities, military formations and observation of certain military activities.

It is therefore understood that the common five-year period which started on 1 January 1997 applies both to air base visits and to visits to military facilities, military formations and observation of certain military activities.

It is further understood that, as this common five-year period ends on 31 December 2001, a new common five-year period for air base visits and visits to military facilities, military formations and observation of certain military activities will begin on 1 January 2002.

This statement will be annexed to the Vienna Document 1999 and published with it.