

Netherlands Chairmanship

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL
(459th Plenary Meeting)**

1. Date: Tuesday, 1 July 2003

Opened: 3.05 p.m.

Closed: 4.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. J. de Visser
Mr. K. Vosskühler

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) *Reconstruction work at the site of a Jewish cemetery in Belarus*:
Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/790/03), United States of America, Belarus, Chairperson

(b) *Media situation in Belarus*: United States of America, Belarus, Chairperson

(c) *Housing plan for returning refugees holding tenancy rights in Croatia*:
Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/789/03), United States of America, Russian Federation, Serbia and Montenegro, Norway (also on behalf of Canada), Croatia (PC.DEL/770/03), Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE OSCE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON
NATIONAL MINORITIES

High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM.GAL/5/03 Restr.),
United States of America, Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries

Cyprus, Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/788/03), Russian Federation, Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine), Slovakia (PC.DEL/769/03), Romania (PC.DEL/772/03 Restr.), Hungary (PC.DEL/771/03), Kazakhstan, Estonia, Kyrgyzstan, Canada, Serbia and Montenegro, Latvia (PC.DEL/783/03),
Chairperson

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE DATES AND THEME OF THE FIRST
OSCE MEETING OF POLICE EXPERTS

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 555 (PC.DEC/555), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the dates and theme of the first OSCE Meeting of Police Experts.

Agenda item 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Seminar on terrorism and human rights, to be held in the Netherlands on 18 September 2003:* Chairperson
- (b) *Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, to be held in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, from 5 to 9 July 2003:* OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
- (c) *OSCE-Japan Conference, to be held in Tokyo in February 2004:* Japan (Partner for Co-operation)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 10 July 2003, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal