

681st Plenary Meeting

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**DECISION No. 804
ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF
THE WALLNERSTRASSE PREMISES BY THE OSCE SECRETARIAT
AND THE REPRESENTATIVE ON FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA**

The Permanent Council,

Expressing its gratitude to the Republic of Austria for the generous offer to host the OSCE Secretariat and the Representative of the Freedom of the Media in the new premises at Wallnerstrasse 6–6A;

Recalling Porto Ministerial Council Decision No. 9 of 7 December 2002, Permanent Council Decision No. 559 of 31 July 2003 and Permanent Council Decision No. 709 of 15 December 2005,

Noting that Porto Ministerial Council Decision No. 9 of 7 December 2002 tasked the Secretary General to work out with the host country detailed provisions concerning the handing over, maintenance, occupancy and use of the new headquarters, which will grant to the OSCE terms and conditions not less favourable than those accorded by the host country to other international organizations having their seat in Vienna, said provisions to be agreed upon by the Permanent Council,

Taking note of the Secretary General's report to the Permanent Council of 21 June 2007 circulated as SEC.GAL/113/07 and background materials circulated as SEC.GAL/109/07 of 13 June 2007 regarding the terms and conditions of use by the Secretariat and the Representative on Freedom of the Media of the new premises,

Further noting the most recent draft agreement on the terms of use and occupancy of the new premises ("User Agreement"), circulated to participating States as PC.ACMF/63/07 of 3 October 2007,

Decides to:

1. Approve the terms of the draft "User Agreement" as contained in the document PC.ACMF/63/07 of 3 October 2007;
2. Authorize the Secretary General to sign the draft "User Agreement";

3. Establish the post of Building Maintenance Officer within the Secretariat Fund, at the P2 level, effective as of the approval date of this decision and funded in 2007 from existing 2007 Unified Budget resources.