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**Chairmanship: Albania****1256th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 23 January 2020

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 11.50 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Hasani

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Poland to the OSCE, H.E. Ambassador Adam Halaciński.

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

- (a) *Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine and illegal occupation of Crimea:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/71/20), Croatia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/74/20), United States of America (PC.DEL/67/20), Switzerland (PC.DEL/55/20 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/64/20 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/65/20 OSCE+)
- (b) *Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/58/20), Ukraine
- (c) *Violations of educational and linguistic rights of national minorities in Ukraine:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/59/20) (PC.DEL/61/20), Hungary (PC.DEL/56/20 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/69/20)

Agenda item 2:           REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE  
                                  CHAIRMANSHIP-IN-OFFICE

- (a)   *Visit by the Chairperson-in-Office to Ukraine on 20 and 21 January 2020:*  
Chairperson
- (b)   *Visit by the Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office for the Transnistrian Settlement Process to the region on 22 and 23 January 2020:*  
Chairperson
- (c)   *Modalities related to the 1257th plenary meeting of the Permanent Council, to be held on 30 January 2020:* Chairperson

Agenda item 3:           REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a)   *Participation of the Secretary General, from 20 to 22 January 2020, in the annual meeting of the World Economic Forum, held in Davos, Switzerland, from 21 to 24 January 2020:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General
- (b)   *Participation of the Secretary General in the Avenir Suisse Think Tank Summit 2020, held in Zurich, Switzerland, from 17 to 19 January 2020:*  
Director of the Office of the Secretary General
- (c)   *Briefing, held on 20 January 2020, on the conclusions of the OSCE-led Survey on the Well-being and Safety of Women:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General
- (d)   *Third OSCE Gender Equality Review Conference, to be held in Vienna on 29 and 30 June 2020:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General

Agenda item 4:           ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a)   *International Day of Education, observed on 24 January 2020:* Norway (also on behalf of Andorra, Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland)  
(PC.DEL/60/20)
- (b)   *General election in Ireland, to be held on 8 February 2020:* Ireland

4.   Next meeting:

Thursday, 30 January 2020, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal