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**Norwegian Chairmanship**

## 243rd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 26 August 1999

Opened: 10.20 a.m.

Closed: 1.30 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. K. Eide  
Mr. Ø. Hovdkinn

The Chairman expressed the condolences of the Council at the tragedy of the earthquake which had occurred in Turkey and resulted in numerous deaths and severe destruction.

Turkey

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: OSCE MISSION TO TAJIKISTAN

Head of the OSCE Mission to Tajikistan (PC.FR/20/99), Chairman,  
Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia,  
Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the  
Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/400/99), United States of America  
(PC.DEL/409/99), Switzerland, Russian Federation, Tajikistan  
(PC.DEL/407/99)

Agenda item 2: OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Senior Deputy Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina  
(PC.FR/21/99), Chairman, Secretary General, Switzerland,  
Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia,  
Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the  
Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/401/99), United States of America  
(PC.DEL/412/99), Canada, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Agenda item 3: CONTINUED OSCE FOCUS ON YUGOSLAVIA (SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO)

Chairman, Secretary General, Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/402/99), Russian Federation, Switzerland, Turkey, United States of America (PC.DEL/413/99), Albania, Belarus

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Appointment of Head of the OSCE Presence in Albania:* Chairman
- (b) *Meeting of the Presidents of Armenia and Azerbaijan:* Chairman
- (c) *Delay in the installation of the Assessment Team in Moldova:* Chairman, Ukraine
- (d) *Visit of the Moldovan President to Ukraine:* Ukraine
- (e) *Conclusions of the European Union General Affairs Council of 19 July 1999:* Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/405/99) (SEC.DEL/261/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/408/99)
- (f) *Situation in Belarus:* Belarus (SEC.DEL/264/99), United States of America
- (g) *Results of the August session of the National Parliament of Uzbekistan:* Uzbekistan
- (h) *Situation in Kyrgyzstan:* Kyrgyzstan, United States of America, Uzbekistan
- (i) *Sentencing of Professor Pirkuli Tanrykuliev in Turkmenistan:* Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/403/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/410/99)
- (j) *Situation in Uzbekistan:* Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/404/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/411/99), Uzbekistan
- (k) *Situation in Croatia:* United States of America (PC.DEL/406/99), Croatia

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

- (a)   *Meetings of the Representative of the Chairman-in-Office, Mr. K. Traavik, with the Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South-Eastern Europe and the Council of Europe:* Chairman
- (b)   *Election observation and assessment issues:* Chairman

Agenda item 6:           REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a)   *Visit of the Secretary General to Bonn:* Secretary General
- (b)   *Visit of the Secretary General to Skopje:* Secretary General

Agenda item 7:           ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a)   *Announcement of election date:* Georgia
- (b)   *Shanghai Five Summit in Bishkek:* Kyrgyzstan

4.   Next meeting:

Thursday, 2 September 1999, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal