

Report on the Activities of the Chairperson-in-Office

- On 27 May, the **CiO issued a statement** on the reports of assaults on the work of the OSCE monitors in Eastern Ukraine. Emphasising the accountability of those responsible for attacks, he urged the sides to guarantee full safety for the monitors and their free and unfettered access to the entire conflict area.
 - On 31 May, the **CiO and the German Minister of the Interior** opened the high-level OSCE-wide **Counter-Terrorism Conference** in Berlin. Representatives of OSCE participating States, Partners for Co-operation, international and regional organizations, civil society, academia and youth discussed measures to prevent radicalization and extremism and the question how to deal with returning extremists and their reintegration into society.
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- On 2 June, the **Head of OSCE Chairmanship Task Force, Amb. Leendertse**, and **SR for the Transdniestrian Settlement Process, Amb. Meier-Klodt**, opened a two-day round of Transdniestrian settlement talks in the “5+2” format in Berlin. The **CiO** in a statement welcomed the resumption of talks after a 2-years-break and the renewed commitment of all involved to the 5+2 format as agreed path for a sustainable and fair conflict solution.
 - On 30 May, the **Chairmanship SR Erler** participated in an event in Berlin to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Moscow Helsinki Group and the international Helsinki movement. Erler acknowledged the significance of the Moscow Helsinki Group and the international Helsinki with regard to human rights and fundamental freedoms and their contribution in overcoming the division of Europe. Erler also expressed his concern about the increasing restrictions on the scope for action of human rights groups and civil society in various OSCE participating States.
 - On 2 June, **Special Representative Erler** opened a two-day high-level conference on the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security in Berlin. The Conference focusses on Parliamentary Control and Oversight of the Security Sector.
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