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The Permanent Council,

Recalling Decision No. 303 (PC.DEC/303) of 24 June 1999 on the 1999 Mediterranean Seminar on "Implementation of Human Dimension Commitments", to be held in Amman, Jordan,

- Adopts, after consultation with the participating States and the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation, the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the Seminar as contained in the annex.

AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE OSCE MEDITERRANEAN SEMINAR ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HUMAN DIMENSION COMMITMENTS

(Amman, Jordan, 6-7 December 1999)

I. INDICATIVE AGENDA

Monday, 6 December 1999

Opening Ceremony

Chair: Representative of the Chairman-in-Office (CiO)

9.30 a.m. Opening address by H.E. the Minister for Foreign Affairs,

Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Statement by a Representative of the CiO

Statement by H.E. Ambassador Jan Kubis, Secretary General of the OSCE

Session 1: The human dimension: risks and challenges

"Democratization and the rule of law"

"The cultural dimension of security"

"The role of civil society"

Moderator: Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

Rapporteur: Representative of an OSCE participating State

Keynote Speakers:

10 a.m. 1. H.E. Ambassador Gérard Stoudmann, Director, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

- 2. "The cultural dimension of security" Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation
- 3. "The role of civil society" Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

11.15 a.m. Coffee break

11.45 a.m. - Discussion

1 p.m.

Session 2: Experience gained in OSCE field operations

"Case studies of field operations"

Moderator: Representative of an OSCE participating State

Rapporteur: Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC)

Keynote Speakers

3 p.m. 1. H.E. Ambassador Márton Krasznai, Director of the CPC

- 2. The OSCE Mission in Kosovo speaker to be designated
- 3. The Case of Central Asia speaker to be designated
- 4. Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

4.15 p.m. Coffee break

4.30 - 6 p.m. Discussion

Tuesday, 7 December 1999

Session 3: The relevance of OSCE tools in the human dimension for the Mediterranean region

"Early warning, conflict prevention, post-conflict rehabilitation, aspects of social, economic and environmental dimensions affecting the human dimension"

Moderator: Representative of an OSCE participating State

Rapporteur: Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

Keynote Speakers

10 a.m. 1. Mr. Max van der Stoel, High Commissioner on National Minorities

- 2. Mr. Freimut Duve, Representative on Freedom of the Media
- 3. Mr. Tom Price, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- 4. Representative of the Organization of African Unity
- 5. Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

11.15 a.m. Coffee break

11.45 a.m. - Discussion

1 p.m.

Annex

Session 4: Developing a partnership in the Mediterranean region

"The future of the OSCE Mediterranean dialogue - Seeking common responses to risks and challenges in the human dimension"

Moderator: Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

Rapporteur: Representative of an OSCE participating State

Keynote Speakers

3 p.m. 1. Representative of an OSCE participating State

- 2. Representative(s) of the European Union reporting on the Barcelona Process
- 3. Representative of the Council of Europe
- 4. Representative of a Mediterranean Partner for Co-operation

4.15 p.m. Coffee break

4.45 - Discussion

5.30 p.m.

Closing Session

Chairman: Representative of the CiO

5.30 p.m. Reports by the session rapporteurs

Concluding statement by the President of the Jordan Institute of Diplomacy

Concluding statement by a representative of the CiO

6.30 p.m. End of Seminar

II. PARTICIPATION

- 1. The Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia) will attend all the sessions and make contributions to all the meetings.
- 2. Japan and the Republic of Korea will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Seminar.
- 3. The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Seminar.
- 4. The following international organizations and institutions will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Seminar: European Union/Barcelona Process; International Committee of the Red Cross; Mediterranean Forum; Organization of African Unity; Organization of the Islamic Conference; United Nations; United Nations High Commissioner

for Human Rights; United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; United Nations Environment Programme; United Nations Economic Commission for Europe; Council of Europe; Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; the League of Arab States; North Atlantic Treaty Organization; Western European Union; Black Sea Economic Co-operation Council; Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; as well as the Commonwealth of Independent States.

- 5. Representatives of non-governmental organizations will be able to attend and contribute to the Seminar in accordance with the relevant OSCE provisions and practices (advance notification required).
- 6. Other countries and organizations may be invited by the host country.

III. TIMETABLE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES

- 1. The Seminar will begin at 9.30 a.m. (opening ceremony) on 6 December 1999 and end at 6.30 p.m. on 7 December 1999.
- 2. The opening and closing sessions will be chaired by a representative of the Chairman-in-Office.
- 3. Each session will have a moderator and rapporteur appointed by the Chair. The consolidated summary will be forwarded to the Permanent Council for further consideration.
- 4. Appropriate arrangements for press coverage will be made.
- 5. The working language will be English. At the request of several participating States interpretation will be provided from and into French. These arrangements will not constitute a precedent that can be relied upon in other circumstances.
- 6. Other rules of procedure and working methods of the OSCE will be applied, *mutatis mutandis*, to the Seminar.
- 7. Rooms for additional ad hoc meetings will be made available to participants. Such meetings will be held without interpretation.