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531st PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 21 November 2007

Opened: 10.55 a.m. Closed: 11.40 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Mr. J. Bernhard

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

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

None

Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

Presentation on a tool for OSCE interagency operations, by Mr. J. P. Rose, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies: Chairperson, Mr. J. P. Rose, Germany, Austria, Croatia, Sweden, Azerbaijan

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON SUPPORT BY THE OSCE FSC FOR THE

GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR

TERRORISM

Chairperson

<u>Decision</u>: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 14/07 (FSC.DEC/14/07), the text of which is appended to this journal, on support by the OSCE FSC for the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON FORWARDING OF A DRAFT

MINISTERIAL COUNCIL DECISION TO THE

MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson, Denmark (on behalf of the Chairperson)

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<u>Decision</u>: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 15/07 (FSC.DEC/15/07), the text of which is appended to this journal, on forwarding of a draft Ministerial Council decision to the Ministerial Council

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON EXTENDED DIALOGUE WITH THE OSCE

PARTNERS FOR CO-OPERATION ON CIVIL-MILITARY

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Chairperson

<u>Decision</u>: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 16/07 (FSC.DEC/16/07), the text of which is appended to this journal, on extended dialogue with the OSCE Partners for Co-operation on Civil-Military Emergency Preparedness

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) FSC contribution to the Madrid Ministerial Declaration (FSC.DEL/562/07/Rev.3/Corr.1 Restr.): Chairperson
- (b) Draft letter from the Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain, Chairperson of the Fifteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council: Chairperson

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 5 December 2007, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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DECISION No. 14/07 SUPPORT BY THE OSCE FSC FOR THE GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR TERRORISM

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming the OSCE participating States' commitments to prevent and combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations,

Recalling the provisions of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, adopted at the 91st plenary meeting of the Special Committee of the CSCE Forum for Security Co-operation on 3 December 1994 in Budapest, in which the participating States undertake to adopt appropriate measures to prevent and combat terrorism in all its forms by implementing international instruments and commitments they agree upon in that respect,

Recalling also MC.DOC/1/05, the Ministerial Statement on the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism, emanating from the Thirteenth Meeting of the Ministerial Council, as well as Permanent Council Decision No. 678 recommending its adoption,

Recalling also FSC Decision No. 10/06 on supporting national implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004), which called upon all the OSCE participating States to implement that resolution fully, and to be prepared to examine appropriate measures to support participating States in its implementation,

Recalling also the statement by the delegations of the Russian Federation and the United States of America at the 512th plenary meeting of the FSC, reflected in FSC Journal No. 518, agenda item 1(a), describing the goals of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism and its objective of mobilizing States to implement obligations under such international legal frameworks,

Recognizing that 62 sovereign States have decided to become partner nations in the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism, in recognition of the Initiative's effective efforts to develop partnership capacity on a determined and systematic basis,

Recalling that five activities have already taken place under the Global Initiative Plan of Work, and that another 20 activities are scheduled for the period 2007–2009,

Reiterating the need for States to take co-operative action to combat the threat of nuclear terrorism,

Recognizing that the OSCE, in close co-ordination with the co-chairing States and partner nations of the Global Initiative, can set an example for the international community by supporting international capacity-building and information-sharing initiatives such as the Global Initiative, which contributes to improved national implementation of the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism, UN Security Council resolution 1540, and other international legal instruments,

Declares its support for the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism and encourages all OSCE participating States and Partners that are not already partner nations to join the initiative in accordance with the established procedure.



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DECISION No. 15/07 FORWARDING OF A DRAFT MINISTERIAL COUNCIL DECISION TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Decides to request the Chairperson of the FSC to transmit to the Chairperson of the Ministerial Council the following document:

Draft decision on issues relevant to the Forum for Security Co-operation;

Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of the above-mentioned document.



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DECISION No. 16/07 EXTENDED DIALOGUE WITH THE OSCE PARTNERS FOR CO-OPERATION ON CIVIL-MILITARY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Recognizing the national responsibilities of all participating States for ensuring plans for dealing with emergencies such as accidents involving chemicals or toxic spills, avalanches, floods and earthquakes, or managing the consequences of terrorists attacks,

Also recognizing that disasters, whether man-made or natural, do not recognise international borders, therefore making international co-operation a useful tool,

Recalling the OSCE Strategy to Address Threats to Security and Stability in the Twenty-First Century adopted in Maastricht in 2003, which called for an OSCE response to ecological disasters that can provide a substantial negative impact on the health, welfare, stability and security of participating States,

Recalling the OSCE Strategy Document for the Economic and Environmental Dimension also adopted in 2003, which called for a common response and action to combat ecological disasters resulting from natural causes, economic activities or terrorist attacks that may pose a serious threat to stability and security,

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/04 on the OSCE and its Partners for Co-operation that refers to the report on the implementation of PC.DEC/571/Corr.1, distributed under the reference PC.DEL/366/04/Rev.4, which identifies the possibility to exchange views on how Civil Military Emergency Planning (CMEP) activities could serve as a confidence- and security-building measure with the Mediterranean and Asian Partners for Co-operation.

Referring to the Border Security and Management Concept adopted in Ljubljana in 2005, which called for possible specialized assistance upon request of interested participating States in facilitating cross-border co-operation in case of natural disasters or serious accidents in border zones,

1. Welcomes the contributions and discussions on CMEP during the Special FSC Meeting held on 26 September 2007;

- 2. Takes note of the survey of suggestions and recommendations made during the Special FSC Meeting, included in the report provided by the FSC Chairperson and distributed under reference FSC.GAL/111/07 of 15 October 2007;
- 3. Calls upon the participating states to remain seized of this matter and continue to engage OSCE Partners for Co-operation in dialogue on a bilateral basis on co-operation in activities relating to CMEP;
- 4. Encourages the participating States to report, when appropriate, on progress and achievements concerning the involvement of the OSCE Partners for Co-operation in activities relating to CMEP.