

**Chairmanship: Albania**

**1255th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 16 January 2020

Opened: 10.05 a.m.  
Suspended: 1.05 p.m.  
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.  
Closed: 3.30 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Hasani

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
OSCE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY,  
H.E. MR. GEORGE TSERETELI

Chairperson, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (PA.GAL/1/20), Croatia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/49/20), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/33/20 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/19/20), Turkey, United States of America (PC.DEL/21/20), Armenia (PC.DEL/29/20 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/23/20), Uzbekistan, Georgia (PC.DEL/35/20 OSCE+)

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

(a) *Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine and illegal occupation of Crimea*: Ukraine (PC.DEL/24/20), 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 and Moldova, in

alignment) (PC.DEL/51/20), Switzerland (PC.DEL/34/20 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/37/20 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/26/20)

- (b) *Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/32/20), Ukraine
- (c) *Violation of freedom of the media in Estonia:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/20/20), Estonia (PC.DEL/27/20 OSCE+)
- (d) *The death penalty in Belarus and the United States of America:* Norway (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland) (PC.DEL/53/20), Croatia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Georgia, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/50/20/Rev.1), Belarus (PC.DEL/31/20 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/25/20)

Agenda item 3:           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 Transdniestrian Settlement Process to the region on 22 and 23 January 2020:* Chairperson
- (c) *Modalities related to the 1256th meeting of the Permanent Council, to be held on 23 January 2020:* Chairperson

Agenda item 4:           REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General:* Head of Conference and Language Services
- (b) *Participation of the Secretary General in the annual meeting of the OSCE Chairmanship and the Secretariat with the heads of field operations and representatives of institutions, held on 9 and 10 January 2020:* Head of Conference and Language Services
- (c) *Meeting of the Secretary General with H.E. Mr. Sedat Önal, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkey:* Head of Conference and Language Services

Agenda item 5:           ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Language conforming meeting for documents adopted by the Ministerial Council in 2019, to be held on 21 January 2020:* Slovakia

- (b) *Responsibility for the shooting down of Malaysian Airlines flight MH17 on 17 July 2014 and of Ukraine International Airlines flight PS752 on 8 January 2020*: Netherlands (also on behalf of Australia (Partner for Co-operation), Belgium, Canada and the United Kingdom) (PC.DEL/38/20 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/30/20), Croatia-European Union (PC.DEL/52/20), Chairperson, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/28/20), United States of America (PC.DEL/22/20/Rev.1)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 23 January 2020, at 10 a.m., in the Ratsaal