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**DECISION No. 720
RECOMMENDATION TO EXTEND THE MANDATE
OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC
INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

The Permanent Council,

Recalling the decision of the Ministerial Council taken at its second meeting in Prague in 1992 concerning the development of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR),

Noting that the term of office of the current Director of the ODIHR, Ambassador Christian Strohal, will expire on 28 February 2006,

1. Requests the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairman-in-Office the draft decision of the Ministerial Council on the extension of the mandate of the Director of the ODIHR as contained in document MC.DD/1/06 of 21 February 2006;
2. Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of that decision through a silence procedure with a period of silence expiring on 27 February 2006.