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31st (SPECIAL) JOINT MEETING OF THE FORUM FOR SECURITY CO-OPERATION AND THE PERMANENT COUNCIL

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 27 February 2008

Opened: 9.30 a.m. Closed: 12 noon

- 2. <u>Chairpersons</u>: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma (FSC) (Spain) Mr. A. Turunen (PC) (Finland)
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>
 - Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF IRELAND, H.E. BERTIE AHERN

Chairperson of the Permanent Council, Prime Minister of Ireland (FSC-PC.DEL/3/08), Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; as well as the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (FSC-PC.DEL/7/08), Russian Federation (FSC-PC.DEL/5/08 OSCE+), Serbia (FSC-PC/DEL/6/08), Armenia, United States of America (FSC-PC.DEL/4/08)

Agenda item 2: UPDATE BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FSC ON THE OUTCOME OF THE FSC WORKSHOP ON EXISTING AND PLANNED OSCE PROJECTS ON SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS, AND STOCKPILES OF CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION, HELD IN VIENNA ON 5 AND 6 FEBRUARY 2008

Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC-PC.DEL/2/08 OSCE+), Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre

Agenda item 3: FSC DECISION ON AWARENESS RAISING AND OUTREACH OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT

Chairperson of the FSC

Decision: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 1/08 (FSC.DEC/1/08), the text of which is appended to this journal, on awareness raising and outreach of the Code of Conduct.

Turkey, Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre

Agenda item 4: UPDATE BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE CONFLICT PREVENTION CENTRE ON PROJECTS ON NON-MILITARY ASPECTS OF SECURITY

Chairperson of the Permanent Council, Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre, France, Canada, Armenia

Agenda item 5: UPDATE BY THE FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR NATIONAL SECURITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, MR. GAFAROV

Chairperson of the Permanent Council, First Deputy Chairman of the State Committee for National Security of the Republic of Tajikistan (FSC-PC.DEL/1/08 OSCE+), Russian Federation, Germany, United Kingdom, France

Agenda item 6: Any other Business

Organizational matter related to a future meeting of the Permanent Council: Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation), Chairperson

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

To be announced



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DECISION No. 1/08 AWARENESS RAISING AND OUTREACH OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Recalling the OSCE's comprehensive approach to security as noted in the OSCE Strategy to Address Threats to Security and Stability in the Twenty-First Century (MC(11).JOUR/2, 2 December 2003),

Recalling the Ministerial Council Declaration on the OSCE Partners for Co-operation to promote the OSCE's norms, principles and commitments in their regions, and to encourage them to take further steps towards their voluntary implementation,

Emphasizing the importance of the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (CoC) as a unique, cross-dimensional norm setting document,

Recognizing that the annual information exchange on national implementation of the CoC demonstrates participating States' commitment to transparency towards each other and thus contributes to the implementation of the CoC,

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 3/07 on issues relevant to the FSC in which the Ministerial Council expressed its determination to continue enhancing the implementation of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security,

Recalling FSC Decision No. 17/07 on information exchanges in an electronic format for further distribution,

Welcoming the successful seminars and workshops held on the implementation of the CoC and their valuable contribution to promoting awareness,

Convinced that further seminars and workshops on the Code of Conduct, organized among OSCE participating States as well as for Partners for Co-operation would contribute to increasing awareness and support outreach of the CoC,

Wishing to promote a closer engagement of the Partners for Co-operation in the CoC,

1. Decides to make each participating State's reply to the CoC questionnaire available to the public through posting on the OSCE's public website, and tasks the OSCE Secretariat to ensure a timely publication;

2. Requests the OSCE Secretariat to organize, in co-operation with other international organizations or with participating States, as appropriate, and within available resources at least one specialized seminar or workshop a year in order to facilitate better implementation, to promote awareness and to support outreach of the CoC, and encourages participating States to contribute extra budgetary funds to enable such events;

3. Calls upon the FSC Chair to engage the OSCE Partners for Co-operation in a process aiming at adopting the principles of the CoC.