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Statement
at the 590th meeting of the OSCE Permanent Council,
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Mr. Chairman,

Referring to our Note Verbale, written text of which will be distributed through pigeonholes to the OSCE participating States and sent to the ODIHR in Warsaw, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the OSCE would like to inform the Permanent Council of the following:

According to the Executive Order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated December 9, 2005, the Parliamentary elections, which were held on November 6, 2005 in Azerbaijan, will be rerun in ten constituencies on May 13, 2006. Taking into account the continuation of the Parliamentary elections process in Azerbaijan, the Permanent Mission brings to the attention of the Delegations/Missions of the OSCE participating States and ODIHR that its Note No.406/10/4 dated June 16, 2005 on the invitation by the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan of the OSCE participating States to send their observers to the November 6 Parliamentary elections is valid for the May 13 rerun of elections.

The Permanent Mission is available to the colleagues in the Permanent Council on all issues related to preparation and conduct of election observation.

I thank you.