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DECISION No. 1295 DATES OF THE 2018 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING AND THE TOPICS FOR THE SECOND PART OF THE 2018 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

The Permanent Council,

Recalling its Decision No. 476 (PC.DEC/476) of 23 May 2002 on the modalities for OSCE meetings on human dimension issues,

Decides:

- 1. That the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting will take place in Warsaw from 10 to 21 September 2018;
- 2. To select the following topics for the second part of the 2018 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting: "Freedom of the Media"; "Rights of Migrants"; "Combating Racism, Xenophobia, Intolerance and Discrimination".

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INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

"In joining the consensus regarding the Permanent Council decision on the dates, venue and topics of the OSCE Human Dimension Implementation Meeting (HDIM), the Russian Federation continues to take the position that the topics and organizational modalities of OSCE human dimension events, including the HDIM, the seminar and the three supplementary meetings, are to be considered as a package.

I request that this statement be attached to the adopted decision and included in the journal of the day."

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INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE

By the delegation of Turkey:

"In connection with the Permanent Council decision just adopted on the dates of the 2018 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting and the topics for the second part of the 2018 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting, the Republic of Turkey wishes to make the following interpretative statement under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the OSCE Rules of Procedure:

Turkey attaches utmost importance to the work of the human dimension which constitutes an indispensable component of the comprehensive security concept of the OSCE. The participation of representatives of civil society enriches OSCE human dimension meetings. Turkey values their work and contribution to the advancement of the OSCE commitments.

Turkey has made its concerns with the participation of terror affiliates in OSCE human dimension meetings abundantly clear. Turkey has expressed its expectations on this matter on numerous occasions, including in the opening session of the 2017 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting, several meetings of the Permanent Council and in the 2017 Vienna Ministerial Council.

The OSCE, as a security organization intended to serve and advance the security of its participating States, including Turkey, must not offer a platform to the extensions of terrorist organizations posing an existential security threat against Turkey.

The clear rules in paragraph 16, Chapter IV, 1992 Helsinki Document and Permanent Council Decision No. 476 (2002), annex 3, paragraph 3 must be implemented.

While welcoming the recent efforts for resolving the problem, Turkey believes that the work in this direction needs to be collectively augmented as early as possible.

It is with this understanding that Turkey joins consensus on this decision. However, as long as our legitimate concerns are not addressed in a timely and satisfactory manner, Turkey reserves its right to object the other decision regarding the agenda of the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting subject to the approval of the Permanent Council.

Mr. Chairperson, we ask that this statement be attached to the decision we have just adopted and also included in the journal of the day."