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STATEMENT By the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova At the OSCE Permanent Council meeting, 7 July 2005 (On the PA session in Washington D.C., 1-5 July 2005)

Mr. Chairman,

Allow me to refer to the results and proceedings of the session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly that took place in Washington on 1-5 July 2005. I am raising this issue at the Permanent Council meeting because, in our opinion, it concerns some of the fundamental principles of the activity of this Organization.

The Moldovan authorities are extremely disappointed by the results of the session and in particular by the contents of the PA resolution concerning the Republic of Moldova. The Moldovan parliamentary delegation has duly intervened in accordance with the procedural rules of this forum, with its own amendments to the text of the resolution presented by the Group on Moldova created within the Assembly. Regretfully, all Moldovan proposals were deliberately ignored by the mentioned group, defying at the same time the position of the states that co-sponsored our amendments. Not only the procedural aspect but also the contents of the resolution on Moldova is contradictory to the norms and standards of the OSCE's activity in general, reflecting the engagement of the OSCE in Moldova in a distorted way.

Mr. Chairman,

We are all aware that the Parliamentary Assembly does not adopt the decisions by consensus. The rule of consensus accounts for the OSCE's failure to adopt Political Declarations at its annual meetings for several consecutive years. At the same time, transparency, cooperation and negotiations should stand at the core of activity of all OSCE fora.

Let me assure you that the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova would assess the situation in consultation with the PA governing bodies and the national parliaments of the participating states. The concern of my Delegation here at the Permanent Council is related to the practice by the Parliamentary Assembly to adopt documents that do not correspond to the spirit and fundamental principles of the OSCE, that we consider detrimental to the present and future of this Organization.

Thank you.