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**DECISION No. 1092  
OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN BAKU**

The Permanent Council,

Welcoming the fruitful co-operation established between the OSCE and the Republic of Azerbaijan,

Acknowledging the willingness of the Republic of Azerbaijan to further continue co-operation with the OSCE and make further progress in implementing commitments and principles,

Appreciating the work done by the OSCE Office in Baku to assist the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan in implementing OSCE commitments and principles,

Aiming at adapting the established co-operation mechanisms between the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the OSCE to reflect the current state of affairs,

Decides to transform the OSCE Office in Baku, upon the expiration of its existing mandate on 31 December 2013, into an OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku, which will perform the following tasks:

- To support co-operation between the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the OSCE and its institutions aimed at implementing OSCE principles and commitments;
- To carry out planning and implementation of projects between relevant authorities of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the OSCE and its institutions. Such projects will cover all three dimensions of the OSCE's comprehensive security concept, taking into account the needs and priorities of the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan;
- To that end to maintain contacts with governmental as well as non-governmental bodies, local authorities, universities, research institutions and NGOs of the Republic of Azerbaijan;

- To perform other tasks deemed appropriate by the Chairperson-in-Office or other OSCE institutions and agreed upon between the Government of the Republic Azerbaijan and the OSCE.

The OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku will be headed by a Co-ordinator who will be based in Baku together with his/her international and local staff.

The Co-ordinator will provide regular progress reports to the OSCE Permanent Council. The content of such reports will be shared beforehand with the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Modalities for the new form of co-operation based on this Permanent Council decision will be further elaborated in a separate Memorandum of Understanding to be signed by the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the OSCE.

The mandate of the future OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku will enter into force on 1 January 2014 for an initial period of twelve months and with the possibility of subsequent extensions for one-year periods by mutual agreement between the OSCE and the Republic of Azerbaijan.

The budgetary needs of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku will be decided in the framework of the regular yearly decision-making process and covered out of the Unified Budget of the OSCE as well as by possible voluntary contributions.