

Romanian Chairmanship

316th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 18 January 2001

Opened: 10.00 a.m.
Suspended: 1.15 p.m.
Resumed: 3.30 p.m.
Closed: 4 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. L. Bota
Mr. T. Chebeleu

The Chairman welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Spain to the OSCE, Mr. J. Pérez Gómez.

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE HIGH REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE
COMMON FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY OF THE
EUROPEAN UNION

High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union (PC.DEL/27/01), United States of America (PC.DEL/36/01), Russian Federation, Switzerland, Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova, Ukraine and Uzbekistan) (PC.DEL/33/01), Moldova (PC.DEL/24/01), Canada, Armenia, Turkey (PC.DEL/29/01), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Czech Republic (also on behalf of Hungary, Poland and Slovakia) (PC.DEL/34/01), Norway, Kyrgyzstan, Secretary General, Chairman

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) *Situation of Afghan refugees on the border of Tajikistan:* Canada, Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/25/01), United States of America

(PC.DEL/38/01), Switzerland, Russian Federation, Tajikistan (PC.DEL/31/01), Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Chairman

- (b) *Revised criminal justice codes in Belarus*: Belarus (PC.DEL/28/01)
- (c) *Abolition of the death penalty*: Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/26/01), Switzerland, United States of America (PC.DEL/37/01)
- (d) *Review of the scales of contribution to the OSCE budget*: Ukraine, Chairman, Russian Federation, Canada
- (e) *Adoption of amnesty law in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia*: Yugoslavia, Chairman
- (f) *Municipal elections in Latvia on 11 March 2001*: Latvia
- (g) *Parliamentary elections in Moldova on 25 February 2001*: Moldova
- (h) *Kidnapping of humanitarian aid worker in Chechnya*: Chairman
- (i) *Seminar for the promotion of the OSCE Court of Conciliation and Arbitration in Central and South-Eastern Europe held in Ljubljana on 13 February 2001*: Slovenia (PC.DEL/32/01)

Agenda item 3: BRIEFING ON THE OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES

- (a) *Report from the Head of the OSCE Advisory and Monitoring Group in Belarus on the implementation of its mandate*: Chairman, Sweden-European Union, United States of America
- (b) *NATO Ad Hoc Committee on Depleted Uranium (CDU)*: Chairman

Agenda item 4: OSCE PRESENCE IN ALBANIA

Head of the OSCE Presence in Albania (PC.FR/1/01 Restr.), Chairman, United States of America (PC.DEL/35/01), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/30/01), Canada, Switzerland, Norway, Albania, Chairman

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 403 (PC.DEC/403), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the Human Dimension Seminar.

Chairman

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Belgrade on 15 January 2001*: Chairman
- (b) *Forthcoming visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Stockholm on 19 January 2001 and to Moscow on 7 February 2001*: Chairman

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Visit to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia from 15 to 17 January 2001*: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/5/01)
- (b) *Vacancies for the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia*: Secretary General
- (c) *NATO Ad Hoc Committee on Depleted Uranium (CDU)*: Secretary General
- (d) *OSCE Assistance Group to Chechnya*: Secretary General
- (e) *Consultations held in Moscow on 11 January 2001*: Secretary General
- (f) *Programme for interns from Central Asia*: Secretary General
- (g) *Preparations for the OSCE-Korea Conference 2001: "Applicability of OSCE CSBMs in North-East Asia"*: Secretary General

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Establishment of informal working groups on developing recommendations regarding applications for future partnerships, legal capacity and privileges and immunities and on police-related activities*: Chairman
- (b) *Voluntary contribution by the United Kingdom for the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine*: United Kingdom (PC.DEL/39/01), Chairman, Ukraine

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 25 January 2001, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal