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DECISION No. 1213
DATES AND AGENDA OF THE 2016 ECONOMIC AND
ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

The Permanent Council,

Further to Permanent Council Decision No. 1011 on strengthening the effectiveness of the economic and environmental dimension of the OSCE, in which participating States agreed, *inter alia*, to hold the Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting on an annual basis in accordance with the mandate and modalities established by Permanent Council Decision No. 995,

Decides to convene the 2016 Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting on 17 and 18 October 2016 in Vienna, in accordance with the agenda contained in the annex to this decision.

AGENDA OF THE 2016 ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Vienna, 17 and 18 October 2016

Monday, 17 October 2016

- 9.30–11 a.m. Opening session: Taking stock of the implementation of the OSCE commitments in the field of good governance
- 11–11.30 a.m. Coffee/Tea break
- 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Session I: Fighting corruption and promoting the rule of law as prerequisites for economic development and business interaction
- 1–2.30 p.m. Lunch break
- 2.30–4 p.m. Session II: Good governance in transport and trade facilitation
- 4–4.30 p.m. Coffee/Tea break
- 4.30–6 p.m. Session III: Good environmental governance

Tuesday, 18 October 2016

- 9.30–11 a.m. Session IV: Strengthening co-operation in the field of energy
- 11–11.30 a.m. Coffee/Tea break
- 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Session V: Promoting sustainable development towards enhancing stability and security
- 1–2.30 p.m. Lunch break
- 2.30–4 p.m. Panel debate: Opportunities and challenges in the OSCE's economic and environmental dimension – the way ahead
- 4–4.30 p.m. Closing remarks

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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 connection with the adoption of the Permanent Council decision on the dates and agenda of the 2016 OSCE Economic and Environmental Dimension Implementation Meeting, we should like to make the following statement.

We take the position that the Meeting should provide a framework for enhancing dialogue and co-operation on key thematic areas within the economic and environmental dimension, as provided for in Permanent Council Decision No. 995 of 31 March 2011. The development of co-operation in the field of energy remains at the focus of this OSCE dimension. We expect that a substantive discussion on the aspects of energy co-operation set out in the relevant Ministerial Council decisions will be organized during the Meeting. We believe it useful to focus on the important questions for all participating States of increasing energy efficiency and reducing the negative impact on the environment of energy production, transportation and consumption. We trust that the discussions will be depoliticized and oriented towards strengthening confidence and developing good-neighbourly relations.

I request that this statement be appended to the Permanent Council decision adopted, and included in the journal of the day.”