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## 677th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 14 March 2012

Opened: 10 a.m. Closed: 11 a.m.

- 2. Chairperson: Ambassador L. Imanalieva
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

- (a) Report on the twenty-second Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting by the Chairperson of the closing session, Finland: Finland
- (b) Financial contribution to the project on small arms and light weapons and stockpiles of conventional ammunition in Kyrgyzstan: United States of America, Chairperson
- (c) Financial contribution to the project on conventional ammunition in Serbia: Switzerland, Serbia
- (d) Project on the destruction of expired and obsolete ammunition in Cyprus: Cyprus (Annex), FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary)

#### Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

Implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004): Presentation by Mr. T. Bektashev, National Action Plan of the Kyrgyz Republic on Implementation of Resolution 1540 (2004): Chairperson, Mr. T. Bektashev (FSC.DEL/26/12 OSCE+), Denmark-European Union (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Iceland and Serbia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the

European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/25/12), United States of America, United Kingdom, Turkey (FSC.DEL/27/12 OSCE+), Belarus

## Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Matters of protocol*: Montenegro, Chairperson, Denmark-European Union
- (b) Agreement to invite the OSCE Partners for Co-operation to the Experts Level Session on Small Arms and Light Weapons Stockpile Management, Surplus Reduction and Destruction, to be held in Vienna on 24 May 2012: Chairperson

## 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 21 March 2012, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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### STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF CYPRUS

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.

The delegation of Cyprus, would like once more to thank, through you, the Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC), the FSC Co-ordinator Colonel Laszlo Szatmari, as well as the participating States Bulgaria, France, Italy, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, the United Kingdom and the United States of America, for supporting the project of technical assistance and help for the destruction of obsolete and expired ammunition in Cyprus.

All recommendations in the OSCE Assessment Report of December 2011 and information about Explosive Limit Licenses (ELLs) provided by the CPC have been taken into account and are being studied by our authorities. We have decided to accelerate the destruction of the 40 mm Bofors ammunitions which are considered the most dangerous, using the OBOD method twice a week. (Until today 2/3 of the initial quantity has been destroyed). We have set the summer of 2012 as the deadline of the completion of this process. We envisage a second visit of experts to assist us with practical destruction procedures. This visit can follow the same modalities as the initial assessment visit in December 2011 (travel expenses to be covered by participating States and all other costs by the Republic of Cyprus).

We shall also seek information regarding the training for National Guard Pyrotechnics in ELLs, destruction technologies and methods of obsolete tank and aviation ammunition, individual protection measures and special medical examination of personnel involved in destructions and environmental consequences of fumes and explosive remnants after destruction.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson,

I request that this statement be attached to the journal of the day.