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DECISION No. 5/17
USE OF THE OSCE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK TO SUPPORT
IMPLEMENTATION OF PERMANENT COUNCIL
DECISIONS No. 1039, No. 1106 AND No. 1202

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Recalling the Section I, subsection (B) of the OSCE Communications Network Document, annexed to FSC Decision No. 5/99 of 6 October 1999, according to which the participating States commit themselves to connect to the network for communications between States concerning treaty and agreement notifications as well as other OSCE-related matters,

Reaffirming the importance of the network for the successful implementation of agreements and treaties,

Recalling Permanent Council Decisions No. 1106 and No. 1202, on OSCE confidence-building measures in the field of security of and in the use of information and communication technologies,

Recognizing that the operationalization of select confidence-building measures can be facilitated and enhanced by making use of existing communication channels, such as the OSCE Communications Network,

Decides:

To approve the use of the OSCE Communications Network, as governed by the Communications Group, for efforts to address security of and in the use of information and communication technologies in line with Permanent Council Decisions No. 1039, No. 1106 and No. 1202, upon the identification of contact centres/points for cyber/ICT security-related communications within capitals;

To task the Communications Group with the technical implementation of this decision, in consultation with the informal working group established by Permanent Council Decision No. 1039, which will elaborate the operational requirements in the implementation of the confidence-building measures of Permanent Council Decisions No. 1106 and No. 1202;

To task the Communications Group to ensure that the introduction of new requirements does not hinder in any way the services provided to the OSCE participating States in the politico-military dimension.