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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA
ON THE SUMMIT OF THE HEADS OF STATE OF TURKEY, BOSNIA-
HERZEGOVINA AND SERBIA IN ISTANBUL, 24 APRIL 2010,
ON THE OCCASION OF THE 808th MEETING OF
THE OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

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In the light of the significance of the event, the delegation of Serbia wishes to add a few remarks to the reference made by the distinguished Ambassador of Turkey in his statement in response to the address of the Head of the OSCE Mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ambassador Gary Robbins, on the Istanbul Summit.

We believe that this landmark summit of the Heads of State of Turkey, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Serbia on 24 April 2010 represents „a new beginning“ in the relations of the three countries, whose common goals are to ensure peace, prosperity and stability in the Balkans and membership in the European Union.

In accordance with Serbia’s basic position, outlined so many times before, on the respect of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Bosnia-Herzegovina, President Tadić emphasized in Istanbul „that Serbia would not undertake any steps that would destabilize Bosnia-Herzegovina, nor would it challenge its borders and its integrity, which would endanger the stability in the region“.

The essence of the trilateral summit, as well as the text of the Declaration itself are an expression of mutual support, which is, according to President Tadić, „the common vision, to which we are devoted and which we will pursue to fulfill by acting in concord.“