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DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA TO THE OSCE STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR NEVEN MADEY INVITATION TO OBSERVE CROATIAN'S PARLIAMNETARIAN ELECTIONS ON 4 DECEMBER 2011 886TH MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL 3 NOVEMBER 2011

Mr. Chairperson,

We wish to inform the Permanent Council that the President of the Republic of Croatia announced that parliamentary elections in the Republic of Croatia will be held on 4 December 2011.

In accordance with our Copenhagen and Istanbul commitments, the Government of Croatia is pleased to invite observers to our elections from other participating States, the Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and appropriate institutions and organizations that wish to observe our election proceedings. The official document signed by the Vice President and the Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integrations will be submitted today to the ODIHR.

In accordance with its mandate and the recommendation of the Needs Assessment Mission which was conducted from 21 to 23 September 2011 ODIHR will deploy Limited Election Observation Mission to Croatia for upcoming parliamentary elections.

Thank you for your attention.