
Belgian Chairmanship**625th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 14 September 2006

Opened: 9.35 a.m.
Closed: 12.30 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, expressed condolences to Turkey in connection with the terrorist attack in Diyarbakir, Turkey, on 12 September 2006.

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE NATO SUPREME ALLIED
COMMANDER EUROPE, GENERAL JAMES L. JONES

Chairperson, NATO Supreme Allied Commander Europe (PC.DEL/864/06), Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/868/06), Canada (PC.DEL/871/06), Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/877/06), Norway (PC.DEL/869/06 OSCE+), Russian Federation, Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Moldova)

Agenda item 2: OSCE OFFICE IN MINSK

Head of the OSCE Office in Minsk (PC.FR/18/06 OSCE+), Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/867/06),

Russian Federation (PC.DEL/883/06 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/882/06), Canada (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland) (PC.DEL/872/06), Belarus (PC.DEL/878/06 OSCE+),
Chairperson

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Situation in South Ossetia, Georgia*: Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/866/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/884/06 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/870/06), Georgia

- (b) *Parliamentary elections in Montenegro, held on 10 September 2006*: Montenegro (PC.DEL/876/06), Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/865/06), Chairperson

- (c) *Central Asian Nuclear-Free Zone Treaty*: Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/880/06 OSCE+), Ukraine, Romania, Uzbekistan, Russian Federation, Belarus, Chairperson

- (d) *Second Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions, held in Astana on 12 and 13 September 2006*: Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/881/06 OSCE+), Chairperson

- (e) *Recent developments in the Transdniestrian region of Moldova*: Moldova (PC.DEL/873/06) (PC.DEL/874/06), United States of America, Russian Federation, Finland-European Union, Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/152/06 OSCE+)*: Chairperson

- (b) *Meeting between the Chairman-in-Office and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia, held in Brussels on 14 September 2006*: Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *International conference on combating the demand for trafficking in human beings — greater co-operation among countries of origin and destination, to be held in Minsk on 26 and 27 October 2006*: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/144/06 OSCE+)
- (b) *2006 OSCE Mediterranean Seminar, to be held in Sharm El-Sheik, Egypt, on 6 and 7 November 2006*: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/144/06 OSCE+)
- (c) *Fifth High-Level OSCE Anti-Trafficking Conference, to be held in Vienna on 16 and 17 November 2006*: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/144/06 OSCE+)

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Matters of protocol*: Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), France, Chairperson
- (b) *International conference on combating the demand for trafficking in human beings — greater co-operation among countries of origin and destination, to be held in Minsk on 26 and 27 October 2006*: Belarus (PC.DEL/879/06 OSCE+)
- (c) *Request for long-term observers for the ODIHR Limited Election Observation Mission to the local elections in Georgia on 5 October 2006* (ODIHR.INF/17/06): Chairperson
- (d) *Social event to be held in Vienna on 18 September 2006*: Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 21 September 2006, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal