

**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council**  PC.JOUR/1524 12 June 2025

### **Chairmanship: Finland**

## **1524th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 12 June 2025 (in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference)

Opened: 9.05 a.m. Closed: 12.10 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador V. Häkkinen Ms. M. Neuvonen

The Chairperson, a number of participating States and the OSCE Secretariat offered their condolences to Austria on the lives lost in the shooting at a school in Graz, Austria, on 10 June 2025. Austria thanked the Chairperson and the Council for their expressions of sympathy.

Russian Federation (Annex)

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TOURISM OF MALTA, H.E. DR. IAN BORG

Chairperson, Chair of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (Malta) (PC.DEL/580/25 OSCE+), Poland-European Union (with Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/602/25), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/604/25 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/590/25), Türkiye (PC.DEL/592/25 OSCE+), United Kingdom, Ukraine, Armenia (PC.DEL/594/25), Albania (PC.DEL/596/25 OSCE+), Montenegro (PC.DEL/591/25 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/599/25 OSCE+), Azerbaijan, Moldova, Georgia (PC.DEL/585/25 OSCE+), Serbia (PC.DEL/589/25 OSCE+), Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/587/25)

# Agenda item 2: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE

Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/595/25), Poland (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/605/25 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/597/25 OSCE+), United Kingdom, Türkiye (PC.DEL/593/25 OSCE+), Russian Federation

#### Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- Increasing military involvement of certain NATO and EU member States in yet more confrontation in and around Ukraine: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/583/25), Chairperson
- (b) Georgia's Foreign Agents Registration Act: Poland-European Union, United Kingdom (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), United States of America (PC.DEL/582/25/Rev.1), Switzerland (PC.DEL/600/25 OSCE+), Georgia (PC.DEL/586/25 OSCE+)
- (c) Strengthening the Economic and Environmental Dimension: United States of America (PC.DEL/584/25), Poland-European Union (with Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/603/25), United Kingdom, Canada (PC.DEL/598/25 OSCE+), Ukraine, Russian Federation, Japan (Partner for Co-operation), Chairperson

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

- (a) Visit of the Chairperson-in-Office to Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan on 10 and 11 June 2025: Chairperson
- (b) Visit of the Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office for the South Caucasus, Mr. C. Späti, to Tbilisi, Sukhumi, Tskhinvali and Moscow from 2 to 9 June 2025: Chairperson
- (c) Visit of the Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Youth, Peace and Security, Mr. S. Leinonen, to North Macedonia and Montenegro from 10 to 13 June 2025: Chairperson
- (d) Visit of the Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism, the Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, also Focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions, and the Personal Representative

of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims to France, taking place from 10 to 13 June 2025: Chairperson

- (e) *Extension of the registration deadline for the Helsinki+50 Conference to* 27 June 2025: Chairperson
- (f) Announcement of the distribution of a written report on the activities of the Chairperson-in-Office (CIO.GAL/65/25 OSCE+): Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/60/25 OSCE+): Head of Conference and Language Services

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

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

Thursday, 19 June 2025, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference



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### STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Mr. Chairperson,

It remains deeply disappointing that the Finnish Chairmanship is openly violating the rules of our Organization and wilfully continuing the fruitless discussions of the Ukraine topic at an OSCE decision-making body. The inclusion of a separate confrontational item on "Russian aggression against Ukraine" in the Permanent Council's agenda is quite unacceptable.

Such actions are directly incompatible with standing agenda items as established by the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE (chapter IV.1(C)) and must stop. The agenda circulated by the Chairmanship for today's meeting has an overtly aggressive thrust as regards the Ukraine issue, is incompatible with the principles of the OSCE and does not give all participating States the opportunity to take part on an equal and non-discriminatory basis in a discussion of the developments in and around Ukraine.

The convening of Permanent Council meetings must be fully in line with the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE by involving consultations with all the participating States (paragraphs IV.1(C)1 and IV.1(C)3) and may not run counter to the provisions of the mandate of the Chairmanship-in-Office, which unambiguously obligates the Chairmanship to take the whole spectrum of opinions into account in its actions (Porto Ministerial Council Decision No. 8 of 2002).

This is clearly an abuse of authority by the Chairmanship, which is duty-bound to act for all 57 participating States and not for a group of countries that are aggressively imposing their views on everyone else.

We request that this formal reservation be reflected in the journal of today's meeting of the OSCE Permanent Council in accordance with paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE.

Thank you for your attention.