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Statement by Norway on Decision on spending authority for the OSCE
Centre in Bishkek as delivered by Permanent Representative
Guttorm Vik to the Permanent Council,
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Mr. Chairman,

I can be very brief, but I would like to add the voice of my delegation to those of the EU, the US and Canada in expressing strong support for the decision we just adopted.

Norway was at the time one of the most enthusiastic supporters for the establishment of a contingency fund, designed precisely for a situation like this. It is now of vital importance that all the very laudable efforts so far deployed by the CiO, the Centre in Bishkek, the CPC and all the other good forces can be followed up, and that financing is secured for the most urgent next measures.

Thank you Mr. Chairman