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**DECISION No. 8/11
PROPER ROLE OF THE OSCE IN FACILITATION OF
UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1540**

The Ministerial Council,

Convinced of the threat that non-State actors such as terrorists and other criminal groups may acquire, develop, traffic in or use nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery and related materials,

Recalling OSCE commitments, in particular Ministerial Council Decision No. 10/06 supporting national implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004), the Ministerial Statement on Supporting the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy of 30 November 2007 and the Ministerial Declaration on Non-Proliferation of 2 December 2009,

Reaffirming the commitment of the OSCE participating States towards fulfilment of the obligations of United Nations Security Council resolutions UNSCR 1540 (2004), UNSCR 1673 (2006), UNSCR 1810 (2008) and UNSCR 1887 (2009),

Duly noting UNSCR 1977 (2011), which established a new ten-year mandate for the UN Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) and encouraged the UNSC 1540 Committee to actively partner with regional and intergovernmental organizations to promote universal implementation of resolution 1540, while it recognized the importance of voluntary contributions to effectively resource the Committee's activities,

Welcomes the FSC Chairperson's progress report on efforts to support implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) in the OSCE region, with special acknowledgement of the OSCE Workshop to Identify the Proper Role of the OSCE in Facilitation of UNSCR 1540 (2004) of 27 and 28 January 2011, the Joint FSC-PC meeting on non-proliferation of 13 July 2011, and the Regional Workshop on the Implementation of UNSCR 1540 (2004) that was held in Astana, Kazakhstan, from 27 to 29 September 2011, organized in close co-operation with the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs to promote capacity-building on national and regional levels to advance full implementation of UNSCR 1540;

Tasks the relevant decision-making bodies within their mandates to continue to identify, and strengthen, when and as appropriate, specific forms of the OSCE's contribution to assist participating States, upon their requests, in the further implementation of UNSCR 1540, in close co-ordination with the UNSC 1540 Committee to complement its efforts.