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**Belgian Chairmanship****592nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 9 February 2006

Opened: 10.20 a.m.

Closed: 1.05 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF GEORGIA, H.E. MR. GELA BEZHUASHVILI

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia (PC.DEL/101/06), Austria-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/93/06), Norway, United States of America (PC.DEL/94/06), Armenia (PC.DEL/105/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/107/06 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/108/06), Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan and Moldova), Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE OSCE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON  
NATIONAL MINORITIES

High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM.GAL/2/06 OSCE+), Chairperson, Austria-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/91/06), Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation

(PC.DEL/87/06 OSCE+), Armenia, United States of America (PC.DEL/104/06), Canada (PC.DEL/110/06), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/99/06), Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan and Moldova)

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

- (a)    *Controversy regarding certain cartoons published in the media of participating States:* Chairperson (PC.DEL/102/06 OSCE+), Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/89/06), Norway (PC.DEL/96/06), Canada, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/88/06 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/95/06), Turkey (PC.DEL/97/06/Corr.1), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/100/06), Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Moldova), Armenia, Azerbaijan, Holy See, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (PC.DEL/98/06)
  
- (b)    *Death penalty in the United States of America:* Austria-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/90/06)
  
- (c)    *Handling of Uzbek asylum-seekers by Kyrgyzstan:* Austria-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/92/06), Kyrgyzstan

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

*Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/14/06):* Chairperson

Agenda item 5:           **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL**

*Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General:*  
Secretary General

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) *Election campaign in Belarus: Belarus* (PC.DEL/106/06 OSCE+)

(b) *Matters of protocol: Andorra, Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 16 February 2006, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal