

Chairmanship: Poland**822nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM**

1. Date: Wednesday, 8 June 2016

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Suspended: 1.05 p.m.

Resumed: 3.05 p.m.

Closed: 3.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador A. Bugajski

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, the United States of America, the Netherlands-European Union, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Canada, Georgia, Belarus, the Russian Federation and Moldova condemned the car bomb attack of 7 June 2016 in Istanbul, Turkey, and offered condolences to the families of the victims. Turkey thanked the Chairperson and delegations for their condolences and expressions of solidarity.

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

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE: SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE (INCLUDING THE ROLE OF THE OSCE)

– *Mr. D. Neculaescu, Director General for Strategic Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania*

– *Mr. G. Rabai, Head of the Defence Policy Department, Ministry of Defence of Hungary*

Chairperson

Point of order: Russian Federation, Chairperson

Mr. D. Neculaescu (FSC.DEL/108/16 OSCE+), Mr. G. Rabai (FSC.DEL/114/16 OSCE+), Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and

Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/109/16/Rev.1), United States of America, Ukraine (FSC.DEL/111/16), Moldova (FSC.DEL/113/16), Belarus, Russian Federation, United Kingdom

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

Situation in and around Ukraine: Ukraine (FSC.DEL/112/16), Netherlands-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/110/16/Rev.1), United States of America, Russian Federation (Annex 1)

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *High-level conference on the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, held in Berlin on 2 and 3 June 2016:* Germany
- (b) *Announcement of the distribution of a food-for-thought paper and proposal for a Vienna Document Plus draft decision on information on military forces (Chapter I) (FSC.DEL/106/16 OSCE+):* Germany
- (c) *Co-sponsoring of the food-for-thought paper and proposal for a Vienna Document (VD) Plus draft decision on reporting on measures in accordance with the VD (FSC.DEL/35/16 OSCE+):* Slovakia, Germany
- (d) *Financial contribution to the project on the security upgrade of ammunition and weapons storage sites in Bosnia and Herzegovina (SECUP):* Turkey (Annex 2), Bosnia and Herzegovina, FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (United States of America)
- (e) *Informal meeting on assistance mechanisms and the processes by which OSCE Partners for Co-operation can now seek assistance from the FSC with regard to SALW/SCA projects, to be held on 9 June 2016 (FSC.INF/21/16 OSCE+):* FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (United States of America)
- (f) *Appeal to delegations to share facts and figures in advance of FSC plenary meetings:* Austria, Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 15 June 2016, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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**STATEMENT BY
THE DELEGATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Dear Mr. Chairperson,

In connection with the reference to Crimea in the statements by a number of delegations today, the delegation of the Russian Federation feels obliged to make the following observations.

The proclamation of independence of the Republic of Crimea and its incorporation into the Russian Federation was a legal expression of the right of the people of Crimea to self-determination at a time when Ukraine, with outside support, was in the throes of a *coup d'état*, with radical nationalist elements exerting a forceful influence on the decisions adopted in the country, which in turn resulted in the interests of the Ukrainian regions and Russian-speaking population being ignored.

The multi-ethnic population of Crimea took the corresponding decisions by a huge majority in a free and fair expression of its will. The status of the Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol as constituent entities of the Russian Federation is not open to reconsideration or discussion. Crimea is and will remain Russian. This is a fact that our partners will have to come to terms with.

This position is based on and fully complies with international law.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I request that this statement be attached to the journal of the day.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF TURKEY

Mr. Chairperson,

I am pleased to announce that Turkey decided to donate 40,000 euros to the extrabudgetary project entitled “Upgrade of small arms and light weapons and stockpiles of conventional ammunition storage facilities (SECUP)” in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This contribution will come as an addition to the 40,000 euros that had already been provided by Turkey at the initial phase of the project in 2013.

The contribution is intended to provide assistance to the upgrade of the security infrastructure at the ammunition and weapons storage sites in Bosnia and Herzegovina, thus reducing the risk of proliferation of weapons and ammunition and improving physical security and stockpile management standards.

Mr. Chairperson, I kindly request you to attach this statement to the journal of this meeting.

Thank you.