

Spanish Chairmanship

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL
(690th Plenary Meeting)**

1. Date: Friday, 30 November 2007 (Madrid)

Opened: 3.55 p.m.

Closed: 4 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma

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

Agenda item 1: DECISION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
PARTNERSHIP FUND

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 812 (PC.DEC/812), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the establishment of a Partnership Fund.

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON COMBATING THE THREAT OF ILLICIT
DRUGS AND PRECURSORS

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 813 (PC.DEC/813), the text of which is appended to this journal, on combating the threat of illicit drugs and precursors.

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS
TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 814 (PC.DEC/814), the text of which is appended to this journal, on forwarding of draft documents to the Ministerial Council.

Agenda item 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 6 December 2007, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal

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PC Journal No. 690, Agenda item 1

**DECISION No. 812
ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARTNERSHIP FUND**

The Permanent Council,

Recognizing the increasing importance of the well-established co-operation between the OSCE and its Partners for Co-operation,

Recalling Permanent Council Decision No. 571/Corr.1, on further dialogue and co-operation with the Partners for Co-operation and exploring the scope for wider sharing of OSCE norms, principles and commitments with others,

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/04, of 7 December 2004, on the OSCE and its Partners for Co-operation, underlining the importance of the report PC.DEL/366/04/Rev.4,

Wishing to promote the engagement of the Partners for Co-operation,

Decides to:

1. Establish a specific fund exclusively financed through extrabudgetary contributions, hereinafter referred to as the Partnership Fund, to foster deeper relations with the Mediterranean and Asian Partners for Co-operation and aimed at financing:
 - After consultation with the Partners for Co-operation, participation by representatives from the Partners for Co-operation in such activities related to existing OSCE programmes as OSCE conferences, seminars, workshops and other meetings, or OSCE-related conferences, seminars, workshops and other meetings held by the Chairmanship, the FSC Chairmanship or an executive structure, as well as internships, visits, briefings and training courses, organized in accordance with the OSCE rules of procedure (MC.DOC/1/06);
 - Such activities related to existing OSCE programmes as OSCE conferences, seminars, workshops and other meetings or OSCE-related conferences, seminars, workshops and other meetings held by the Chairmanship, the FSC Chairmanship or an executive structure in the territory of a participating State that are designed to encourage the Partners for Co-operation to voluntarily implement OSCE norms, principles,

commitments and best practices, as well as internships, visits, briefings and training courses, organized in accordance with the OSCE rules of procedure (MC.DOC/1/06);

- Contribution toward the costs of the OSCE Mediterranean seminar and the OSCE conference with the Asian Partners for Co-operation;
2. Further decides that this Fund shall be set up and managed in accordance with the OSCE's Financial Regulations and its Common Regulatory Management System (CRMS). In accordance with the principles of fund accounting applied by the OSCE, this Fund will be a multi-year fund, with balances carried forward from one year to the next, subject to agreement by the donor(s) and duration of the activity;
3. Requests the Secretary General:
- As Fund Manager, to administer the Fund in accordance with the Financial Regulations;
 - To report to the Permanent Council on the operation of this Fund once a year or at the request of the Permanent Council;
 - To establish the operational modalities of the Partnership Fund, and to inform the participating States and the Mediterranean and Asian Partners for Co-operation of these modalities by means of a circular note;
4. The Partnership Fund will not be used to finance the organization of OSCE-related conferences, seminars, workshops, other meetings and activities outside of the OSCE region without an appropriate decision by an OSCE decision-making body;
5. Encourages the participating States and the Partners for Co-operation to contribute to the Partnership Fund.



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PC Journal No. 690, Agenda item 2

**DECISION No. 813
COMBATING THE THREAT OF ILLICIT DRUGS AND PRECURSORS**

The Permanent Council,

Seriously concerned about the continuing spread of illicit trafficking in opiates from Afghanistan, synthetic drugs, cannabis, cocaine and chemical precursors throughout the OSCE area,

Stressing the OSCE anti-drug commitments enshrined, in particular, in the Helsinki Document (1992), the Charter for European Security (1999), the OSCE Strategy to Address Threats to Security and Stability in the Twenty-First Century (2003) and the Border Security and Management Concept (2005),

Reiterating the commitments of participating States, set forth in PC Decision No. 758, to ratify and fully implement their obligations under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol; the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971; and the UN Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988,

Mindful of the fact that the OSCE is a partner in the Paris Pact,

Recognizing the extensive role of the UNODC in promoting international anti-drug co-operation and highlighting the need for co-ordination with the UNODC, Paris Pact, INCB and other relevant international structures,

Recognizing the positive record of work in 2007 by the Secretary General and field operations to assist participating States, upon their request, on anti-drug issues through organization of regional workshops and facilitation of training, including workshops in Bishkek and Belgrade, training courses in Ashgabad for Turkmenistan's practitioners and in Domodedovo for Afghanistan's anti-drug police officers,

Taking note of the recommendations and outcome of the OSCE Expert Conference on Fighting the Threat of Illicit Drugs (Vienna, 28 and 29 June 2007),

1. Urges the participating States to enhance their anti-drug co-operation and to fully implement their obligations under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol; the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971; and the

UN Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988, and to make full use of these Conventions, *inter alia*, through mutual legal assistance and extradition of drug criminals;

2. Calls upon the Secretary General to further develop co-operation in the field of anti-drug matters with the UNODC, Paris Pact and other relevant international structures and organizations, by, *inter alia*, organizing joint regional and subregional workshops and other activities;

3. Tasks the Secretary General with convening in 2008 in Vienna, in co-operation with the UNODC and other relevant international institutions, an OSCE expert conference on international co-operation to combat trafficking in illicit drugs and chemical precursors, for representatives of participating States, Partners for Co-operation and relevant international and regional organizations;

4. Tasks the Secretary General with continuing training activities on drug-related matters, including conducting in 2008 a follow-up training project for Afghanistan's anti-drug police officers in Domodedovo to be funded through the Unified Budget;

5. Requests that the Secretary General collaborate with UNODC, including Paris Pact and INCB secretariat, and other international and regional anti-drug structures and organizations to co-ordinate anti-drug activities, avoid unnecessary duplication and further identify key drug and chemical precursors control issues, where OSCE could play an effective role in supporting global efforts to combat illicit drug trafficking;

6. Encourages the participating States, Partners for Co-operation and the Secretary General to make full use of the OSCE Border Security and Management National Focal Points Network to facilitate exchange of information on drug-related matters;

7. Encourages the Partners for Co-operation to voluntarily implement the OSCE anti-drug commitments and to participate in the OSCE anti-drug activities.



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PC Journal No. 690, Agenda item 3

**DECISION No. 814
FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS TO
THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to request the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairperson of the Ministerial Council the following documents:

- Draft ministerial declaration on the OSCE Partners for Co-operation;
- Draft decision on OSCE engagement with Afghanistan;
- Draft ministerial statement;
- Draft ministerial statement on supporting the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy;
- Draft decision on public-private partnerships in countering terrorism;
- Draft decision on protecting critical energy infrastructure from terrorist attack;
- Draft Madrid declaration on environment and security;
- Draft decision on the follow-up to the Fifteenth Economic and Environmental Forum: Water management;
- Draft decision on combating trafficking in human beings for labour exploitation;
- Draft decision on combating sexual exploitation of children on the Internet;
- Draft decision on tolerance and non-discrimination: Promoting mutual respect and understanding;
- Draft decision on OSCE Chairmanships in 2009, 2010 and 2011;

— Draft decision on the time and place of the next meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council;

Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of the above-mentioned documents.