
Portuguese Chairmanship**394th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 16 May 2002

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 1.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. J. de Lima Pimentel
Mr. C. Pais

The Chairperson welcomed the new Ambassador of Latvia to the OSCE,
Mr. A. Vovers.

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: OSCE OFFICE IN BAKU

Head of the OSCE Office in Baku (PC.FR/17/02 Restr.), Spain-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/343/02), United States of America, Canada, Switzerland, Russian Federation, Norway, Moldova (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Georgia, Ukraine and Uzbekistan) (PC.DEL/349/02), Ukraine (PC.DEL/345/02), Turkey, Armenia, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/351/02),
Chairperson

Agenda item 2: DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOW-UP MEASURES TO THE
FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY HUMAN DIMENSION
MEETING ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING
VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Representative of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights,
United States of America, Spain-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria,
Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania,
Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/344/02),

Russian Federation, Canada, Azerbaijan, Yugoslavia, Belgium, Liechtenstein, Armenia, Chairperson

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE REALLOCATION OF RESOURCES
FOR THE TENTH MEETING OF THE OSCE ECONOMIC
FORUM

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council, subject to a silence procedure expiring on Friday, 17 May 2002, at 3 p.m., adopted the decision on the reallocation of resources for the Tenth Meeting of the OSCE Economic Forum.

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF
THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council, subject to a silence procedure expiring on Thursday, 23 May 2002, at 9 a.m., adopted the decision on the venue of the next meeting of the Ministerial Council.

Agenda item 5: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Situation in Belarus:* Chairperson, Belarus, United States of America, Spain-European Union, Poland, Norway, Canada, Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania
- (b) *Informal Open-Ended Working Group on the Review of the Modalities of the Human Dimension Meetings:* Norway, Spain-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/346/02), Chairperson
- (c) *Appeal by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan to the OSCE in regard to the settlement of ethnic Armenians in Nagorno-Karabakh:* Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/352/02), Chairperson, Armenia
- (d) *Establishment of the International Criminal Court in The Hague:* Spain-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/347/02), Canada, Russian Federation, United States of America
- (e) *Adoption of a law abolishing provisions requiring fluency in Latvian for candidates for election on 9 May 2002:* Spain-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey)

(PC.DEL/348/02), Russian Federation, United States of America, Canada, Norway, Latvia

- (f) *Visit of the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany to Afghanistan and Uzbekistan on 9 and 10 May 2002: Germany*
- (g) *Priorities of the incoming chairmanship of the Council of Europe: Luxembourg, Yugoslavia*
- (h) *Situation in Kyrgyzstan: Chairperson, United States of America, Spain-European Union, Kyrgyzstan*
- (i) *Condolences regarding recent incidents in Dagistan, Russian Federation, on 9 May 2002: Chairperson, Russian Federation*

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to New York and Washington, D.C.: Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Circulation of speaking notes of the Secretary General: Secretary General
(SEC.GAL/83/02)

Agenda item 8: BRIEFING ON OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES

None

Agenda item 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Matters of protocol: Chairperson, Dean of the Permanent Council (Austria), Kazakhstan

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 23 May 2002, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal