



**United States Mission to the OSCE**

**On the Decision to Close the OSCE Minsk Process**

As delivered by Chargé d’Affaires, a.i., Katherine Brucker  
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The end of the Minsk Process reflects the start of a new era of peace in the South Caucasus. As President Trump said at the signing of the Joint Declaration between the leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan at the White House on August 8, we've finally succeeded in making peace.

As part of the deal brokered by President Trump, Armenia and Azerbaijan have committed to stop all fighting forever; open commerce, travel, and diplomatic relations; and respect each other's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

The envisioned Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity will offer a long-term commitment to stability and prosperity in the region. Now is the time for both countries to move forward and focus on unlocking the economic potential of the South Caucasus, which will create investment opportunities that bring prosperity to Americans, Armenians, and Azerbaijanis alike.

As Co-Chair of the Minsk Group, the United States also wishes to recognize the dedication and contributions of the OSCE personnel and individual negotiators who worked towards peace over the 33 years of the Minsk Process.

The United States congratulates both countries on this historic moment and looks forward to their signing of the comprehensive peace agreement.

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