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Buantoscaireacht na hÉireann don Eagraíocht um Shlándáil agus Comhar san Eoraip Permanent Mission of Ireland to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

## Statement by Ireland at the 1533<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Permanent Council On the upcoming presidential election in Ireland, scheduled for 24 October 11 September 2025

Chair,

The Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE wishes to inform the Permanent Council that a presidential election will be held in Ireland on 24 October 2025.

On 9th September, the Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE circulated a Note Verbale to invite the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and OSCE participating States to observe the election proceedings, in line with our commitments under provisions 5.1 and 8 of the Copenhagen Document, paragraph 25 of the Charter for European Security and OSCE Ministerial Council Decision No. 19/06.

Ireland takes this opportunity to express it full support for ODIHR's election observation methodology and its vital work strengthening democratic institutions across the OSCE area. A Needs Assessment Mission has already been conducted and we look forward to ODIHR's final report and recommendations.