
Chairmanship: Ireland**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL
(897th Plenary Meeting)**

1. Date: Thursday, 12 January 2012

Opened: 10.10 a.m.
Closed: 12.50 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador E. O’Leary

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Denmark to the OSCE, Ambassador Torben Brylle, and the new Permanent Representative of Serbia to the OSCE, Ambassador Vuk Žugić.

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE TÁNAISTE (DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER) AND MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE OF IRELAND, H.E. EAMON GILMORE

Chairperson, Chairperson-in-Office, Denmark-European Union, (with the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/2/12), United States of America (PC.DEL/5/12), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/8/12), Belarus (PC.DEL/12/12), Norway (PC.DEL/4/12), Kazakhstan, Ukraine (PC.DEL/1/12), Lithuania, Canada (PC.DEL/13/12), Holy See (PC.DEL/7/12), Turkey (PC.DEL/10/12), Moldova (PC.DEL/6/12), Switzerland (PC.DEL/3/12), Azerbaijan, Georgia (PC.DEL/11/12), Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

None

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Presidential elections in the Russian Federation, to be held on 4 March 2012:*
Russian Federation (PC.DEL/9/12)
- (b) *Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Lithuania to the OSCE,*
Ambassador R. Norkus: Chairperson, Lithuania
- (c) *Announcement of an exhibition to be held in the Vorsaal:* Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 19 January 2012, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal