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**DECISION No. 61**

Following consultations in the informal Financial Committee of Experts, the Permanent Council welcomes the establishment by the host country of an ad hoc voluntary fund to assist the host country in organizing the “OSCE Seminar on the Role of Trans-European Infrastructure for the Stability and Co-operation in the Black Sea Region”, which will be held in Sofia this year as foreseen in Permanent Council Decision No. 53. In order to help the organizers to best prepare for the seminar, voluntary contributions should reach the fund preferably before 15 September 1995. Following the seminar, the host country will report to the contributors about the appropriation of their contributions and will provide a statement of expenditure. This fund will not be part of the OSCE accounting system.

The Permanent Council requests the Secretary General, on the basis of information to be received from the Government of Bulgaria, to inform the participating States, the observer State of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Japan, non-participating Mediterranean States, the Republic of Korea, relevant international organizations, private foundations, and other private sources, where appropriate, of the establishment of this fund and the account number to which they might wish to transfer their voluntary contributions, while at the same time advising the participating States concerned that such voluntary contributions will not be deductible from their assessed contributions.