

Belgian Chairmanship

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL
(599th Plenary Meeting)**

1. Date: Tuesday, 21 March 2006

Opened: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 4.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe
Mr. P. Heyman

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE OSCE
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY,
MR. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

Chairperson, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (PA.GAL/2/06 OSCE+), Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/253/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/255/06 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/254/06), Georgia, Norway (PC.DEL/256/06), Kazakhstan, Belarus

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 23 March 2006, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal