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United States Mission to the OSCE

Statement in Regard to the Conduct of Presidential Elections in Serbia

As delivered by Ambassador Julie Finley to the Permanent Council, Vienna February 7, 2007

Thank you, Mr. Chairman,

The United States would like to congratulate President Boris Tadic on his reelection victory.

As ODIHR has noted, the second round of voting for Serbia's President took place in an orderly manner.

The extraordinarily high voter turnout was remarkable. This election had important implications for Serbia's future.

The United States looks forward to continuing our efforts to build a productive relationship with Serbia on matters of common interest.

President Tadic promised voters a European future for Serbia. We are committed to working with him and Serbia to see that promise fulfilled and Serbia firmly on a path toward European integration.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.