

Statement by the Permanent Mission of Montenegro On Presidential elections in Montenegro

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Mr. Chairman,

The Permanent Mission of Montenegro would like to inform the Permanent Council that direct presidential elections will be held in Montenegro on April 6, 2008. If necessary the second round of the election will be held two weeks later on April 20th.

In line with our Copenhagen and Istanbul commitments, Montenegro invites observers from all the OSCE participating States, the ODIHR, as well as non-governmental institutions and organizations who may wish to do so to observe the course of national election proceedings.

Mr. Chairman,

Allow me to take this opportunity and inform the participating states that Ranko Krivokapić, Speaker of the Montenegrin Parliament, has already extended an official invitation to ODIHR and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly for monitoring the upcoming Presidential elections.

Thank you Mr. Chairman,