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**PERMANENT MISSION OF SPAIN
TO THE OSCE**

VIENNA

**STATEMENT OF THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
AND CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES OF SPAIN, MR. ARTURO PÉREZ,
CONCERNING THE UPCOMING PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS OF
MARCH 9 2008 IN SPAIN DELIVERED AT THE 697th PERMANENT
COUNCIL MEETING. VIENNA 24th JANUARY 2008**

I would like to inform the Delegations of the Participating States that on Monday January 14, following the proposal made by the President of the Government of Spain, His Majesty King JUAN CARLOS I decreed the dissolution of Parliament and called on Parliamentary Elections to be held on March 9.

Based on the 1990 Copenhagen Document as well as the Charter for European Security, Spain has notified the date of the elections to the Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights and extended the corresponding invitation to observe them.

OSCE participating States are also welcomed to observe the above-mentioned elections.

Thank you for your attention.