

Azerbaijani Chairmanship**446th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM**

1. Date: Wednesday, 16 March 2005

Opened: 10.10 a.m.
Closed: 12.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. P. Shahbazov

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions:

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

Chairperson's Report on the fifteenth Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting:
Andorra, Chairperson, Luxembourg, Austria, Switzerland, Russian Federation,
Germany

Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

- (a) *Some Changes in Defense Planning of the Russian Federation: Presentation by the Chief of Department of the Main Operational Directorate of the General Staff of the Russian Federation Armed Forces,*
Major-General Y. N. Portyannikov: Major-General Y. N. Portyannikov
(FSC.DEL/57/05 Restr.), Chairperson, Ukraine, Austria, Switzerland, Italy,
Georgia, Belgium, Finland
- (b) *The New National Defence Programme Guideline: Presentation by*
Mr. K. Ueda, Deputy Director, Planning and Programming Division, Bureau of Defence Policy, Japan Self-Defence Agency: Mr. K. Ueda (FSC.DEL/58/05 Restr.), United States of America, Austria, Russian Federation

Agenda item 3: DRAFT LETTER FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FORUM FOR SECURITY CO-OPERATION TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL ON THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2005 ASRC

Chairperson

The Forum for Security Co-operation agreed on the text of the letter from the Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation to the Chairperson of the Permanent Council on the agenda and organizational modalities of the 2005 ASRC.

Agenda item 4: CLOSING STATEMENT BY THE FSC CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson (FSC.DEL/63/05 OSCE+), Russian Federation, Armenia, Italy, Slovenia, Austria (FSC.DEL/64/05 OSCE+), United States of America, Belarus, Turkey, Georgia, Belgium, Ukraine

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Decision on the FSC contribution to the 2005 Annual Security Review Conference:* Chairperson
The Chairperson announced that the silence regarding the decision on the FSC contribution to the 2005 Annual Security Review Conference had not been broken (see FSC.DEC/2/05, the text of which is appended to this Journal).
- (b) *Matters of protocol:* United Kingdom, Belgium, Chairperson, Russian Federation
- (c) *Russian Federation-United States Arrangement on Co-operation in Enhancing Control of Man-Portable Air-Defense Systems:* Russian Federation (Annex), United States of America
- (d) *Preparation of a Best Practice Guide for Stockpile Management under the OSCE Document on Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition:* United States of America (also on behalf of Germany, Hungary, Slovenia, Sweden and United Kingdom)
- (e) *OSCE project to eliminate rocket fuel component stocks in Armenia:* Head of the OSCE Office in Yerevan, Armenia

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 13 April 2005, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal

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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Russian Defence Minister Sergey Ivanov and United States Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice signed the Russia–United States Arrangement on Co-operation in Enhancing Control of Man-Portable Air-Defense Systems (MANPADS) in Bratislava, Slovakia, on 24 February 2005. This Arrangement provides a bilateral framework for co-operation in the control of man-portable anti-aircraft missiles that can threaten global aviation if obtained by criminals, terrorists and other non-State actors. One goal of this Arrangement is to facilitate the destruction of MANPADS that are obsolete or otherwise in excess of defence requirements, and to eliminate the illegal manufacture and transfer of such weapons.

This Arrangement represents a significant step forward in our strategy to co-ordinate efforts in countering the illegal trafficking of MANPADS. It serves as an example of what the United States and Russia can accomplish by working together on such vital issues.

* Courtesy translation provided by the Delegation of the Russian Federation.