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REPRESENTATION OF THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM TO THE
OSCE, AT THE MEETING OF THE OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

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Invitation by Belgium to observe the legislative elections on 13 June 2010

Mr. Chairperson,

The Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of Belgium to the OSCE takes this opportunity to inform the Permanent Council that on Sunday, 13 June 2010, legislative elections to the Federal Parliament will be organized in Belgium.

In line with the commitments that Belgium has undertaken within the OSCE, in particular the 1990 Copenhagen commitments with respect to elections, Belgium invites the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and the participating States to observe the conduct of the elections.

I would ask you, Mr. Chairperson, to attach the text of my statement to the journal of this meeting.