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1528th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Thursday, 17 July 2025 (in the Neuer Saal and via video Date:

teleconference)

10.05 a.m. Opened: Suspended: 12.45 p.m. Resumed: 3.05 p.m. Closed: 4.55 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador V. Häkkinen

Ms. M. Neuvonen

The Chairperson welcomed the new Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the OSCE, H.E. Ambassador M. de Ruijter, and the new Permanent Representative of Belgium to the OSCE, H.E. Ambassador F. Delhaye, to the Permanent Council.

Russian Federation (Annex)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

> Agenda item 1: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION

AGAINST UKRAINE

Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/760/25), United Kingdom, Denmark (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Moldova, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/749/25 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/739/25), Türkiye (PC.DEL/753/25 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/764/25), Russian Federation

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE ACTING HEAD OF THE OSCE MISSION TO SERBIA

Chairperson, Acting Head of the OSCE Mission to Serbia (PC.FR/7/25 OSCE+), Denmark-European Union (with Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/756/25), United States of America (PC.DEL/741/25), United Kingdom, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/740/25 OSCE+), Türkiye (PC.DEL/762/25 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/751/25 OSCE+), Albania (PC.DEL/750/25 OSCE+), Serbia

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE CONFLICT PREVENTION CENTRE

Chairperson, Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre (SEC.GAL/76/25 OSCE+), Denmark-European Union (with Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/757/25), United States of America (PC.DEL/744/25), United Kingdom, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/745/25), Türkiye (PC.DEL/763/25 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/768/25), Kazakhstan, Armenia (PC.DEL/759/25 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/752/25 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/765/25), Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/754/25 OSCE+), Georgia (PC.DEL/766/25 OSCE+), Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Increasing military involvement of certain NATO and EU member States in yet more confrontation in and around Ukraine: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/742/25)
- (b) Eleven years since the downing of Malaysia Airlines Flight MH17:
 Netherlands (also on behalf of Australia (Partner for Co-operation), Belgium,
 Canada, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Romania, the United Kingdom and the
 United States of America) (PC.DEL/747/25 OSCE+), Denmark-European
 Union, Ukraine, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/743/25), Netherlands
 (PC.DEL/748/25 OSCE+), Australia (Partner for Co-operation)
 (PC.DEL/761/25 OSCE+)
- (c) Concerns about the deteriorating situation in Georgia: France (also on behalf of Belgium, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom) (PC.DEL/755/25 OSCE+), Georgia (PC.DEL/767/25 OSCE+)
- (d) *The deteriorating situation in Moldova*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/746/25), Denmark-European Union, Moldova, Romania

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Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

Letter concerning the "Chairmanship Forum on Building a Resilient Future in a Changing Climate", to be held in Prague on 11 and 12 September 2025: Chairperson

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/78/25 OSCE+): Director of the Office of the Secretary General

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Malta to the OSCE, Ambassador N. Meli Daudey: Chairperson, Malta

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 24 July 2025, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Madam Chairperson,

It remains deeply disappointing that the Finnish Chairmanship is openly violating the rules of our Organization and wilfully continuing the fruitless discussions of the Ukraine topic at an OSCE decision making body. The inclusion of a separate confrontational item on "Russian aggression against Ukraine" in the Permanent Council's agenda is quite unacceptable.

Such actions are directly incompatible with standing agenda items as established by the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE (chapter IV.1(C)) and must stop. The agenda circulated by the Chairmanship for today's meeting has an overtly aggressive thrust as regards the Ukraine issue, is incompatible with the principles of the OSCE and does not give all participating States the opportunity to take part on an equal and non-discriminatory basis in a discussion of the developments in and around Ukraine.

The convening of Permanent Council meetings must be fully in line with the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE by involving consultations with all the participating States (paragraphs IV.1(C)1 and IV.1(C)3) and may not run counter to the provisions of the mandate of the Chairmanship-in-Office, which unambiguously obligates the Chairmanship to take the whole spectrum of opinions into account in its actions (Porto Ministerial Council Decision No. 8 of 2002).

This is clearly an abuse of authority by the Chairmanship, which is duty-bound to act for all 57 participating States and not for a group of countries that are aggressively imposing their views on everyone else.

We request that this formal reservation be reflected in the journal of today's meeting of the OSCE Permanent Council in accordance with paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE.

Thank you for your attention.