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Statement

**in Response to the Report of Dunja Mijatovic, OSCE Representative on
Freedom of the Media
delivered by Ambassador Arman Kirakossian at the 1079th Meeting of the
OSCE Permanent Council
November 26, 2014**

Mr. Chairman,

We would like to warmly welcome Ms. Dunja Mijatovic, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media and express our gratitude for her comprehensive report.

Armenia reiterates its support to the Representative on the Freedom of Media and her activities, particularly in the field of safety of journalists.

We value the constructive dialogue with the Office of the RFOM, which certainly helps to implement the OSCE human dimension commitments. We took note that part of this cooperation is reflected in the current report of the RFOM, related to Armenia. In two cases in regard to Armenia the damaged equipment of journalists was restored and the criminal case against investigative journalist Kristine Khanumyan on the charge of deliberate failure to comply with a court order was dismissed. As a follow up of this case the Prosecutor General Office has initiated a round table discussion on the protection of confidential sources with participation of the representative of the RFOM

We are ready to continue close cooperation with the RFOM Office in making our progress in the field of freedom of expression and freedom of media irreversible.

Thank you.