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**Chairmanship: Kazakhstan****SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL  
(839th Plenary Meeting)**

1. Date: Tuesday, 23 November 2010

Opened: 3.05 p.m.

Closed: 3.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador K. Abdrakhmanov

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

Agenda item 1: ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE OUTCOME OF THE  
SILENCE PROCEDURE ON THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL  
DECISION ON THE OSCE CHAIRMANSHIP IN THE  
YEAR 2013

The Chairperson informed the Permanent Council that the Chairperson-in-Office, in a letter issued on 23 November 2010 (see the annex to this journal), had announced the adoption, through a silence procedure, of the Ministerial Council decision on the OSCE Chairmanship in the year 2013 (see MC.DEC/4/10, the text of which is appended to this journal).

Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1113/10), Azerbaijan, Russian Federation, Ukraine, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

None

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

*Organizational matters related to the Astana Summit meeting, to be held in Astana on 1 and 2 December 2010: Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

To be announced



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## **LETTER OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE**

Astana, 23 November 2010

Dear colleague,

In my capacity as OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, I have the honour of informing you that the period of silence on the draft decision of the Ministerial Council on the OSCE Chairmanship in the year 2013 (MC.DD/5/10), expiring on 23 November 2010 at 10 a.m. CET, has not been broken.

The decision is therefore effective as of today and will be attached to the journal of the Eighteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council and to the journal of the next meeting of the Permanent Council.

Those participating States that intend to exercise their right to duly register an interpretative statement or a formal reservation under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the Rules of Procedure of the OSCE are invited to do so through their OSCE delegations at the next meeting of the Permanent Council.

Yours sincerely,

[signature]

Kanat Saudabayev  
Chairperson-in-Office of the OSCE

To the Ministers for Foreign Affairs  
of the OSCE participating States



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**DECISION No. 4/10  
OSCE CHAIRMANSHIP IN THE YEAR 2013**

The Ministerial Council,

Decides that Ukraine will exercise the function of the OSCE Chairmanship in the year 2013.