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**Netherlands Chairmanship****461st PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 17 July 2003  
  
Opened: 10 a.m.  
Closed: 12.20 p.m.
2. Chairperson: Mr. J. de Visser  
Mr. K. Vosskühler
3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:  
Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES
  - (a) *Recent developments in Nagorno-Karabakh*: Azerbaijan, Armenia
  - (b) *Media situation in Belarus*: Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/839/03), United States of America, Russian Federation, Canada, Belarus (PC.DEL/872/03 Restr.), Chairperson
  - (c) *Death penalty in Uzbekistan*: Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/840/03), Norway, Uzbekistan (PC.DEL/852/03), Chairperson
  - (d) *Abolition of the death penalty*: Liechtenstein, Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, in alignment) (PC.DEL/851/03)
  - (e) *Voting on the Broadcasting Agency Council in the Serbian Parliament*: Chairperson, United States of America, Italy-European Union (PC.DEL/845/03), Serbia and Montenegro
  - (f) *Initiative of Tajikistan on a common concept for an anti-drug coalition*: Tajikistan, Norway, Canada, Italy-European Union, United States of America, Russian Federation, Chairperson

Agenda item 2:       REPORT BY THE OSCE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC  
                          INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR.GAL/41/03 Restr.), Chairperson, Italy-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/841/03), United States of America, Norway, Russian Federation, Switzerland, Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/865/03), Azerbaijan, Albania (PC.DEL/890/03), Canada, Serbia and Montenegro

Agenda item 3:       REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE  
                          CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 4:       REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a)   *Consultations between the Secretary General and the incoming Chairmanship, held in Sofia on 14 and 15 July 2003: Secretary General, Bulgaria*
- (b)   *Meeting with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on 16 July 2003: Secretary General*
- (c)   *OSCE Academy in Bishkek: Secretary General*
- (d)   *Workshop on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures, to be held in Seoul, Republic of Korea, on 22 and 23 September 2003: Secretary General*

Agenda item 5:       ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a)   *Joint European Union-OSCE fact-finding mission to Skopje: Chairperson (PC.DEL/861/03)*
- (b)   *Follow-up to the Ohrid Regional Conference on Border Security and Management: Chairperson*
- (c)   *Tenth ASEAN Regional Forum, held in Cambodia on 18 June 2003: Japan (Partner for Co-operation)*
- (d)   *Matters of protocol: Croatia*

4.   Next meeting:

Thursday, 24 July 2003, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal