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**DECISION No. 438
DECISION BY THE PERMANENT COUNCIL ON THE
ACTS OF TERRORISM IN NEW YORK CITY AND
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

The world has witnessed with horror and revulsion the barbaric acts of terrorism which have caused enormous loss of human life, destruction and damage in New York City and Washington, D.C.

We, the representatives of all 55 OSCE States, express our sorrow and our outrage at these senseless acts.

We express our deepest and sincerest condolences to the families of the victims and our solidarity with the people and Government of the United States.

This tragedy affects all of us. These were acts not against the United States alone but against all of humanity.

Those responsible for sponsoring, organizing, harboring and supporting in any way the execution of these criminal acts must be brought to justice.

We are determined, acting together with the entire international community, to unite and put an end to terrorism, a scourge of our times which threatens peace and security throughout the world.

We declare the day of Friday, 14 September 2001, a day of grief and mourning. The flags of the participating States of the OSCE in Vienna will be at half-mast.