
Belgian Chairmanship**634th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 9 November 2006

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 1.05 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE ON COMBATING RACISM, XENOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION, ALSO FOCUSING ON INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CHRISTIANS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER RELIGIONS; ON COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM; AND ON COMBATING INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MUSLIMS

Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, also Focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions (CIO.GAL/201/06 OSCE+); Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims (CIO.GAL/199/06 OSCE+); Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism (CIO.GAL/202/06 OSCE+); Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 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 country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1054/06); Armenia; Russian Federation; Norway (PC.DEL/1066/06); Holy See (PC.DEL/1049/06); Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/1067/06 OSCE+); United States of America (PC.DEL/1065/06); Azerbaijan; France (PC.DEL/1063/06); Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REPORT ON COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS (SECRETARY GENERAL) AND ADDRESS BY THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE ON COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

Secretary General, Chairperson, Special Representative on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (SEC.GAL/192/06 OSCE+), Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 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 country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1055/06), Canada (PC.DEL/1058/06), Norway, Russian Federation, Switzerland (PC.DEL/1057/06), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/1068/06 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/1060/06), Belarus, Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/1064/06)

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *“Referendum” and “presidential elections” in South Ossetia, Georgia, to be held on 12 November 2006:* Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 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 Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1053/06), United States of America (PC.DEL/1059/06), Georgia, Russian Federation, Chairperson
- (b) *Sentencing of opposition leaders in Belarus:* Finland-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 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 Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1052/06), Canada (PC.DEL/1056/06), United States of America (PC.DEL/1062/06), Belarus, Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

None

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 14 November 2006, at 3 p.m., in the Neuer Saal