

Chairmanship: Kazakhstan

661st PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. Date: Wednesday, 2 November 2011

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 10.45 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador K. Abdrakhmanov

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

Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

None

Agenda item 2: SECURITY DIALOGUE

Topic for discussion under the agenda item Security Dialogue at the FSC plenary meeting on 9 November 2011: Chairperson

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE AGENDA AND MODALITIES OF THE
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION
ASSESSMENT MEETING

Chairperson

Decision: The Forum for Security Co-operation adopted Decision No. 13/11 (FSC.DEC/13/11) on the agenda and modalities of the twenty-second Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) *Distribution of the FSC Chairperson's reports to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Ministerial Council, carried out on 21 October 2011: Chairperson*

- (b) *Proposal to hold the closing meeting of Kazakhstan's FSC Chairmanship on 19 December 2011*: Chairperson
- (c) *Matters of protocol: Czech Republic, Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Greece, Chairperson*
- (d) *Proposal for a draft Ministerial Council decision on the proper role of the OSCE in facilitation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) (FSC.DEL/161/11 Restr.)*: United States of America, United Kingdom
- (e) *Visits by observers from OSCE participating States to airbases in the Russian Federation, pursuant to Chapter IV of the Vienna Document 1999, from 19 to 24 September 2011*: Russian Federation, United Kingdom
- (f) *Request for technical assistance in the destruction of surplus stockpiles of conventional ammunition*: Cyprus (Annex 1), FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), United Kingdom
- (g) *Financial contribution to the small arms and light weapons project in Belarus*: Italy, FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), Belarus
- (h) *Update on the Montenegro Demilitarization Programme (MONDEM)*: FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary)
- (i) *Distribution of the assessment visit report about a request for assistance for improving security of conventional ammunition storage sites and the disposal of surplus ammunition in the Republic of Serbia, conducted from 12 to 15 September 2011 (SEC.GAL/168/11 Restr.)*: FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), Serbia (Annex 2)
- (j) *Regional Workshop on Customs Procedures and Licensing Issuance: Integrating the National Processing of Dual Use Goods and Conventional Weapons through Information Sharing, held in Zagreb from 25 to 27 October 2011*: Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 9 November 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF CYPRUS

Mr. Chairperson,

As part of the continuing work of the OSCE's Forum for Security Co-operation on the implementation of the OSCE Document on Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition, including FSC Decision No. 3/11 of 23 March 2011, to provide help on elaborating a programme for the destruction of surplus stockpiles and assisting the requesting State in the training of personnel involved in the destruction of conventional ammunition, we would like to make the following statement:

The Republic of Cyprus throughout the implementation of FSC Decision No. 5/08 and in accordance with all OSCE documents and international norms destroyed 324 MANPADS between 9 and 12 June 2009.

In continuation of this very important process, the Republic of Cyprus is seeking technical assistance for the destruction of expired and obsolete conventional ammunitions, located on the territory of the Republic of Cyprus. In this regard the Republic of Cyprus has completed a Requesting State Questionnaire which contains all the relevant information.

The assistance of the OSCE will help accelerate the process of destruction of the above mentioned ammunition, also by enhancing the training of personnel.

We express our readiness to co-operate with all interested delegations and the OSCE and we look forward to receiving positive responses to our request.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Please attach this statement to the journal of the day.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA

Mr. Chairperson,
Ladies and gentlemen,

Allow me to thank the distinguished Lieutenant Colonel László Szatmári, FSC Co-ordinator for SALW and SCA Projects and the FSC Support Section for the work carried out both during the Assessment visit and in the course of the preparation of this Report.

The document that has been submitted, and which is noteworthy for its thoroughness and detail, represents the fruit of the collective efforts of all the parties concerned. We are gratified to note that on the whole the Serbian proposals were taken into account in the drafting of the document.

For its part, the Republic of Serbia intends to do everything it can to ensure the successful implementation of the project. We consider this as joint project under the auspices of the OSCE and UNDP. We welcome the idea of selecting the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)/SEESAC as the agency responsible for implementing this project. It goes without saying that leading principles in implementing of this project should be cost effectiveness, efficiency and result oriented management based on already existing OSCE/UNDP capacities in the Western Balkan region. We are in favour of starting practical work on the implementation at the very beginning of next year.

We would again like to assure our partners that the Republic of Serbia, having demonstrated openness and a constructive approach throughout the entire process of preparation, is also ready for further close co operation with potential donor countries. We hope this positive signal to be brought to the attention of the various governments before the end of this year.

Mr. Chairperson,

We would like to express the hope that the participating States will respond appropriately to the request of the Republic of Serbia for assistance in the field of SCA.

The Republic of Serbia is ready to engage in further co operation with OSCE participating States to implement this project in a spirit of partnership, openness and transparency.

Thank you Mr. Chairperson.

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**DECISION No. 13/11
AGENDA AND MODALITIES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND
ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION ASSESSMENT MEETING**

6 and 7 March 2012

Vienna Document 1999:

- (148) *The participating States will hold each year a meeting to discuss the present and future implementation of agreed CSBMs. Discussion may extend to:*
- (148.1) – *Clarification of questions arising from such implementation;*
- (148.2) – *Operation of agreed measures, including the use of additional equipment during inspections and evaluation visits;*
- (148.3) – *Implications of all information originating from the implementation of any agreed measures for the process of confidence- and security-building in the framework of the OSCE.*
- (150) *The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC) will hold such meetings. It will consider, as required, suggestions made during the Annual Implementation Assessment Meeting (AIAM) aiming at the improvement of the implementation of CSBMs.*
- (150.4) *Participating States which for whatever reason, have not exchanged annual information according to this document and have not provided an explanation under the FSC announcing and reminding mechanisms, will during the meeting, explain the reason why and provide an expected date for their full compliance with this commitment.*

I. Agenda and indicative timetable

Tuesday, 6 March 2012

10–11 a.m. Opening session

- Opening of the meeting by the Chairperson;
- Remarks by the Chairperson of the FSC;
- Presentation of a summary report by the Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC);
- Presentation of a report by the CPC on the meeting of the Heads of Verification Centres held on 14 December 2011 (FSC.DEC/8/11).

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Working session 1: Implementation of the Vienna Document 1999 and Global Exchange of Military Information (GEMI): Clarifications, assessments and conclusions

- Vienna Document 1999:
 - Annual exchange of information:
 - (i) Information on military forces
 - (ii) Data relating to major weapons and equipment and systems
 - (iii) Information on plans for the deployment of major weapon and equipment systems;
 - Defence planning:
 - (i) Exchange of information
 - (ii) Clarification, review and dialogue
 - Risk reduction:
 - (i) Mechanism for consultation and co-operation as regards unusual military activities
 - (ii) Co-operation as regards hazardous incidents of a military nature
 - (iii) Voluntary hosting of visits to dispel concern about military activities.

1–3 p.m. Lunch break

3–5 p.m. Working session 1 (continued)

Wednesday, 7 March 2012

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Working session 2: Implementation of the Vienna Document 1999 and Global Exchange of Military Information (GEMI): Clarifications, assessments and conclusions

- Vienna Document 1999:
 - Military activities:
 - (i) Military contacts
 - (ii) Prior notification of certain military activities
 - (iii) Observation of certain military activities
 - (iv) Annual calendars
 - (v) Constraining provisions;

- Compliance and verification:
 - (i) Inspection
 - (ii) Evaluation
 - (iii) Regional measures
 - (iv) Communications Network;
 - GEMI
- 1–3 p.m. Lunch break
- 3–4 p.m. Working session 3: Suggestions aiming at the improvement of the implementation of CSBMs
- 4.30–5.30 p.m. Closing session:
- Discussion
 - Concluding remarks
 - Closure

II. Organizational modalities

1. The AIAM will last two days and will have opening and closing sessions and working sessions dealing with the topics contained in the agenda (I). The indicative timetable provides greater detail.
2. The organizational meeting of chairpersons, co-ordinators, rapporteurs, and the CPC will be held on Monday, 5 March 2012 at 3 p.m. The working hours of the AIAM will be on the first day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. and on the second day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m.
3. Interpretation into the OSCE official languages will be provided at all sessions of the AIAM.
4. The sessions will be chaired by representatives of the participating States, in rotation, in accordance with the French alphabetical order, following on from the chairing of the closing plenary meeting of the 2011 AIAM by Spain. The chair of the opening session and working sessions will be held by Estonia. The chair of the closing session will be held by Finland.
5. Debates in the working sessions will be oriented towards problems and solutions and there will be no formal statements. Any national statements for the opening session should be presented in written form only and are to be distributed in advance. The working sessions are designed to be very informal meetings of national experts with the objectives of answering questions, exchanging information and allowing for constructive debate between participating States. Delegations are strongly encouraged to provide detailed presentations and concrete examples of their own implementation experiences. Delegations are welcome to distribute written contributions in advance of the Meeting, both on agenda items and on related matters for possible discussion. All delegations are strongly encouraged to provide national experts to participate in the AIAM.

6. To serve as a basis for preparatory work by delegations and co-ordinators, the CPC will circulate no later than 17 February 2012:

- The revised Annual Survey on CSBM Information Exchanged and the AIAM Survey of Suggestions 2011.
- A summary report on recent trends in the implementation of the Vienna Document 1999 and other measures;
- A summary report on the meeting of the Heads of Verification Centres held on 14 December 2011.

7. All working sessions will have one designated co-ordinator and one rapporteur throughout. The task of the co-ordinators will be to facilitate the discussion, while the immediate task of the rapporteurs will be to present a brief written summary report for use by the Chairperson of the closing session.

8. The co-ordinators will circulate a list of topics and questions in order to facilitate discussion in their working sessions. They will be supported by the CPC in this regard. They will ensure that all relevant areas are addressed. The co-ordinators are also encouraged to focus discussions on suggestions that might be supported by the delegations.

9. Delegations that have volunteers to act as co-ordinators or/and rapporteurs for the working sessions should provide the names of the individuals to the Chairperson of the FSC as soon as possible but no later than 17 February 2012. The names of the co-ordinators and rapporteurs for each working session will be made known to all delegations no later than 21 February 2012.

10. At the first FSC plenary meeting following the AIAM, the Chairperson of the closing session will report to the FSC on the AIAM and provide the Chairperson's report together with the reports of the rapporteurs of the working sessions. Rapporteurs are encouraged to circulate their reports to those participating States that contributed to the relevant working session. Within a month after the AIAM the CPC will circulate a written report on suggestions made during the Meeting aimed at improving the implementation of CSBMs.

11. The approach recommended in order to ensure the most productive discussion in the FSC when the participating States consider, as required, suggestions for improvement of the implementation of CSBMs made during the Meeting, is for delegations to bring forward suggestions or topics of interest by means of food-for-thought papers. Discussions on initial papers could lead to further work in the FSC.

12. The agenda and dates of the 2013 AIAM will be agreed by a decision in the FSC before the end of 2012.

13. The Partners for Co-operation and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly are invited to attend all sessions of the 2012 AIAM.