

Chairmanship: Switzerland

1028th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 27 November 2014

Opened: 11.55 a.m.
Suspended: 1 p.m.
Resumed: 3.25 p.m.
Closed: 5.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador T. Greminger

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE OSCE REPRESENTATIVE ON
FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA

Chairperson, Representative on Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/10/14/Rev.1), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1423/14), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/1419/14), Canada, Turkey (PC.DEL/1428/14 OSCE+), Norway, Turkmenistan, Belarus (PC.DEL/1433/14 OSCE+), Serbia (PC.DEL/1421/14 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1437/14 OSCE+), Georgia, Albania (PC.DEL/1434/14), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1436/14 OSCE+), Armenia

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS
TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1138 (PC.DEC/1138) on forwarding of draft documents to the Ministerial Council, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Chairperson

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE PRESENCE IN ALBANIA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1139 (PC.DEC/1139) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Presence in Albania, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1140 (PC.DEC/1140) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO MONTENEGRO

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1141 (PC.DEC/1141) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Montenegro, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 6: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO SERBIA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1142 (PC.DEC/1142) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Serbia, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 7: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO SKOPJE

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1143 (PC.DEC/1143) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Skopje, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 8: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO MOLDOVA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1144 (PC.DEC/1144) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 9: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1145 (PC.DEC/1145) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Russian Federation (interpretative statement, see attachment 1 to the decision), Italy-European Union (Annex), Ukraine (interpretative statement, see attachment 2 to the decision), Canada (interpretative statement, see attachment 3 to the decision), United States of America (interpretative statement, see attachment 4 to the decision), Turkey (interpretative statement, see attachment 5 to the decision)

Agenda item 10: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN BAKU

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1146 (PC.DEC/1146) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 11: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE OFFICE IN YEREVAN

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1147 (PC.DEC/1147) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Office in Yerevan, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 12: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE CENTRE IN BISHKEK

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1148 (PC.DEC/1148) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 13: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *So-called treaty between the Russian Federation and Abkhazia on alliance and strategic partnership*: Georgia, United States of America (PC.DEL/1420/14), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Turkey; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1425/14), Canada, Norway, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1427/14)
- (b) *Ongoing violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation and the situation in Ukraine*: Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/1435/14 OSCE+), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1424/14), United States of America, Canada, Turkey (PC.DEL/1429/14 OSCE+)
- (c) *Situation in Ukraine and violation of the Minsk agreements by the Central Government of Ukraine*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1426/14), Ukraine
- (d) *Reaction in the United States of America to the Ferguson grand jury decision regarding the death of Michael Brown*: United States of America (PC.DEL/1422/14), Russian Federation, Ukraine
- (e) *The new law on Islam in Austria*: Turkey (PC.DEL/1430/14 OSCE+), Austria
- (f) *Russian citizens expelled from Latvia*: Russian Federation, Latvia
- (g) *International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, observed on 25 November 2014*: Canada (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mongolia, Norway, Switzerland and the United States of America), Russian Federation

Agenda item 14: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Publication of a self-assessment by Switzerland on the implementation of existing commitments in the human dimension, on 19 November 2014*: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/227/14 OSCE+)
- (b) *Order of statements for the Twenty-First Meeting of the Ministerial Council, to be held in Basel, Switzerland, on 4 and 5 December 2014*: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/227/14 OSCE+)

Agenda item 15: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/191/14 OSCE+)*
- (b) *Visit by the Secretary General and the Minister of Defence of Austria to a training facility for the staff of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, in Götzendorf an der Leitha, Austria, on 21 November 2014: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/191/14 OSCE+)*

Agenda item 16: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Fatal attack in Kabul on 27 November 2014: United Kingdom*
- (b) *Presidential elections in Croatia, to be held on 28 December 2014: Croatia*
- (c) *Launch of the handbook on preventing domestic servitude in diplomatic households: Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

To be announced



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27 November 2014
Annex

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STATEMENT BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

In reaction to the interpretative statement just delivered by our Russian colleague, I would like to put on record that the European Union considers Crimea a part of Ukraine and therefore the mandate of the Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine covers that part of Ukraine as well.



**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1138
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

1028th Plenary Meeting
PC Journal No. 1028, Agenda item 2

**DECISION No. 1138
FORWARDING OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS
TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to request the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairperson of the Ministerial Council the following documents:

- Draft decision on the OSCE Chairmanship in the Year 2016 (MC.DD/21/14);
- Draft decision on the OSCE Chairmanship in the Year 2017 (MC.DD/22/14);

Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of the above-mentioned documents.



**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1139
27 November 2014

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1028th Plenary Meeting
PC Journal No. 1028, Agenda item 3

**DECISION No. 1139
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE PRESENCE IN ALBANIA**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Presence in Albania until
31 December 2015.



**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1140
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

1028th Plenary Meeting
PC Journal No. 1028, Agenda item 4

**DECISION No. 1140
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina until 31 December 2015.



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Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1141
27 November 2014

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1028th Plenary Meeting
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**DECISION No. 1141
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE MISSION TO MONTENEGRO**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Montenegro until
31 December 2015.



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Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1142
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

1028th Plenary Meeting
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**DECISION No. 1142
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE MISSION TO SERBIA**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Serbia until
31 December 2015.



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Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1143
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

1028th Plenary Meeting
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**DECISION No. 1143
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE MISSION TO SKOPJE**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Skopje until
31 December 2015.



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Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1144
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

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**DECISION No. 1144
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE MISSION TO MOLDOVA**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Moldova until
31 December 2015.



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PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

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PC Journal No. 1028, Agenda item 9

**DECISION No. 1145
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE**

The Permanent Council,

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Ukraine and the OSCE of 13 July 1999,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine until 30 June 2015.

PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014
Attachment 1

ENGLISH
Original: RUSSIAN

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

“In joining the consensus on the Permanent Council decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, we take the position that it corresponds to the new political and legal situation in the region stemming from the admission of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol to the Russian Federation. Consequently, the Co-ordinator’s activities, including project activities, do not cover these constituent entities of the Russian Federation.”

I request that this statement be appended to the Permanent Council decision adopted, and included in the journal of the day.

PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014
Attachment 2

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Ukraine:

“Mr. Chairperson,

In connection with today’s Permanent Council decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, and the statement of the delegation of the Russian Federation, the delegation of Ukraine emphasizes the following. The Autonomous Republic of Crimea, which is an integral part of Ukraine, was illegally occupied and annexed by the Russian Federation in violation of the OSCE principles and commitments and norms of international law. Ukraine stresses that the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine extends to the entire territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, including the Autonomous Republic of Crimea.”

The delegation of Ukraine requests that this statement be attached to the decision and recorded in the journal of the day.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014
Attachment 3

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Canada:

Mr. Chairperson,

Canada wishes to make an interpretative statement under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the OSCE Rules of Procedure in connection with the extension of the mandate of the Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine.

“Canada would like to associate itself with the statement just delivered on behalf of the European Union, in particular with respect to the fact that the mandate of the Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine applies to the entire territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders.”

Canada requests that this statement be reflected in the journal of the day and attached to the decision just adopted.

Thank you.

PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014
Attachment 4

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the United States of America:

“Obviously, very briefly, we would like to also note that Crimea remains an integral part of Ukraine and the mandate of the Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine extends to all of Ukraine.”

We would like our statement to be attached to both the decision and the journal of the day.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

PC.DEC/1145
27 November 2014
Attachment 5

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Turkey:

“Turkey associates itself with the statement made by the European Union to the effect that the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine covers the entire territory of Ukraine, including the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, which Turkey continues to regard as part of Ukraine.”

I request that this statement be attached to the journal of the day as well as to the decision in question.



**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1146
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

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**DECISION No. 1146
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN BAKU**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Baku until
31 December 2015.



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PC.DEC/1147
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

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**DECISION No. 1147
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE OFFICE IN YEREVAN**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Office in Yerevan until
31 December 2015.



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Permanent Council**

PC.DEC/1148
27 November 2014

Original: ENGLISH

1028th Plenary Meeting
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**DECISION No. 1148
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE CENTRE IN BISHKEK**

The Permanent Council,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek until
31 December 2015.