

Chairmanship: Switzerland**1024th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 6 November 2014

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 12.55 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 4.50 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador T. Greminger
Mr. G. Scheurer
Ms. A. Rauber Saxer

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE GENEVA
INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSIONS

Chairperson, Co-Chairman of the Geneva Discussions on Security and Stability in the South Caucasus (OSCE), Co-Chairman of the Geneva Discussions on Security and Stability in the South Caucasus (United Nations), Co-Chairman of the Geneva Discussions on Security and Stability in the South Caucasus (European Union), 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 country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1315/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/1296/14), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1325/14), Turkey (PC.DEL/1322/14 OSCE+), Serbia, Georgia (PC.DEL/1323/14 OSCE+), Canada

Agenda item 2: PRESENTATIONS BY THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE ON GENDER ISSUES, MS. JUNE ZEITLIN, AND THE OSCE SENIOR ADVISER ON GENDER ISSUES, AMBASSADOR MIROSLAVA BEHAM

Chairperson, Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office on Gender Issues (CIO.GAL/200/14 OSCE+), OSCE Senior Adviser on Gender Issues (SEC.GAL/179/14), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1316/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/1304/14), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1329/14), Canada (PC.DEL/1313/14 OSCE+), Austria (also on behalf of Finland, Kazakhstan and Turkey), Turkey, Norway (PC.DEL/1298/14), Liechtenstein (PC.DEL/1331/14 OSCE+), Albania (PC.DEL/1312/14 OSCE+), Serbia (PC.DEL/1336/14 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE OSCE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LATVIAN-RUSSIAN JOINT COMMISSION ON MILITARY PENSIONERS

Chairperson, OSCE Representative to the Latvian-Russian Joint Commission on Military Pensioners (PC.FR/30/14 OSCE+), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; 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 and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1317/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/1297/14), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1327/14)

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP TO THE PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT ON SUBREGIONAL ARMS CONTROL, ANNEX 1-B, ARTICLE IV OF THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR PEACE IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1134 (PC.DEC/1134) on the transfer of ownership to the Parties to the Agreement on Subregional Arms Control, Annex 1-B, Article IV of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Croatia (also on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia) (PC.DEL/1299/14 OSCE+)

Agenda item 5: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

- (a) *Ongoing violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation and the situation in Ukraine:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/1303/14 OSCE+), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1318/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/1305/14), Canada (PC.DEL/1314/14 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/1324/14 OSCE+)
- (b) *Ukraine's non-compliance with the Minsk Protocol:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1310/14), United Kingdom, Ukraine, United States of America (PC.DEL/1311/14)
- (c) *United Nations International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists:* Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; 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 Andorra, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1319/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/1307/14), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1328/14), France, Ukraine
- (d) *Attack on an LGBTI centre in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia:* United States of America (PC.DEL/1301/14), Norway (PC.DEL/1335/14), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- (e) *Response to a statement made at the 1017th meeting of the Permanent Council on freedom of expression in the OSCE area:* Uzbekistan
- (f) *Amnesty and release of civil society activists in Azerbaijan:* Spain (PC.DEL/1309/14 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1326/14), Turkey, United States of America, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/1306/14 OSCE+)
- (g) *Release of eight Jehovah's Witnesses in Turkmenistan:* United States of America (PC.DEL/1300/14)
- (h) *The death penalty in Belarus:* Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; 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 Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1320/14), Belarus

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

Financial contributions to the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine pledged by the participating States: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/203/14)

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/180/14 OSCE+): Secretary General

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Financial contribution to the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine: Iceland*
- (b) *Limited election observation mission to the United States of America, for the mid-term elections held on 4 November 2014: OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, United States of America*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 13 November 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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DECISION No. 1134
TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP TO THE PARTIES TO THE
AGREEMENT ON SUBREGIONAL ARMS CONTROL, ANNEX 1-B,
ARTICLE IV OF THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR
PEACE IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

The Permanent Council,

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 1 of 8 December 1995 on OSCE action for peace, democracy and stability in Bosnia and Herzegovina,

Acknowledging the significant contribution to peace, security and stability in the area of application of the Agreement on Sub-Regional Arms Control, Annex 1-B, Article IV of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina (the Agreement) since its entry into force in 1996,

Welcoming the spirit of co-operation, trust and confidence of the Parties while implementing the Agreement,

Recognizing with satisfaction the continuous political will of the Parties to the Agreement to comply fully with all aspects of the process established under this arms control regime,

Taking note of the intention of the Parties to take ownership of the Agreement,

Reiterating the strong support of the OSCE community to the Parties for continuing the implementation of the Agreement in good faith,

Taking into account the conclusions of the 52nd meeting of the Sub-Regional Consultative Commission (SRCC) and the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre plan to support the SRCC's requirements (CIO.GAL/175/14/Rev.1) as a point of reference to determine the support to the Parties to the Agreement,

Upon the signature by the Parties of the Amendment to the Agreement on Sub-Regional Arms Control, Annex 1-B, Article IV of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Permanent Council decides:

1. To conclude on 1 January 2015 the role and the functions of the Personal Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office for Article IV of Annex 1-B of the Dayton Peace Accords;
2. To task the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre as of 1 January 2015 to work closely with and provide support to the Parties to the Agreement, within available resources of the OSCE.