
Belgian Chairmanship**613th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 15 June 2006

Opened: 10.15 a.m.
Closed: 12.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe

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

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES
 - (a) *The fight against terrorism and human rights violations: Belarus* (PC.DEL/577/06), United States of America

 - (b) *Status of Uzbek asylum seekers in Kyrgyzstan: Austria-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 and Serbia; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/575/06), United States of America, Switzerland (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan

 - (c) *Death penalty in the United States of America: Austria-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 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/572/06), United States of America (PC.DEL/593/06)

 - (d) *Donors' conference on South Ossetia, Georgia, held in Brussels on 14 June 2006: Austria-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 and Serbia; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/574/06), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/589/06), Georgia, Chairperson

- (e) *Signing of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Union and Albania*: Albania, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: OSCE MISSION TO CROATIA

Head of the OSCE Mission to Croatia (PC.FR/13/06 OSCE+) (PC.FR/14/06 OSCE+), Croatia (PC.DEL/587/06), Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina 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/571/06), Armenia, United States of America (PC.DEL/591/06), Russian Federation, Chairperson

Agenda item 3: REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2004 OSCE ACTION PLAN FOR THE PROMOTION OF GENDER EQUALITY

Secretary General, Austria-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 and Serbia; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/573/06), Norway (PC.DEL/585/06), Russian Federation, Chairperson, United States of America (PC.DEL/590/06), Switzerland, Canada (also on behalf of Iceland and Liechtenstein) (PC.DEL/588/06), Armenia

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE ACCESSION OF MONTENEGRO TO THE OSCE

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 725 (PC.DEC/725), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the accession of Montenegro to the OSCE.

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 726 (PC.DEC/726), the text of which is appended to this journal, on combating trafficking in human beings.

United States of America (PC.DEL/592/06/Rev.1), Russian Federation,
Turkey, Chairperson

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

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/107/06):* Chairperson
- (b) *Tolerance Implementation Meeting on Promoting Inter-cultural, Inter-religious and Inter-ethnic Understanding, held in Almaty, Kazakhstan, on 12 and 13 June 2006:* Chairperson
- (c) *Donors' conference on South Ossetia, Georgia, held in Brussels on 14 June 2006:* Chairperson
- (d) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Georgia on 22 and 23 June 2006:*
Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General:
Secretary General

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Organizational matters:* Chairperson
- (b) *The ODIHR's Election Assessment Mission Report on the parliamentary elections in Italy, held on 9 and 10 April:* Italy (PC.DEL/580/06)
- (c) *Pledge to the United Nations Development Programme Trust Fund for Support to Prevention and Reduction of the Proliferation of Small Arms:*
Sweden
- (d) *Implementation of the second operative paragraph to Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/05 on strengthening the effectiveness of the OSCE:*
Chairperson (CIO.GAL/111/06 OSCE+), United States of America

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 22 June 2006, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal