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**Norwegian Chairmanship**

## 247th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 23 September 1999

Opened: 10.25 a.m.

Closed: 1.10 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. K. Eide  
Mr. Ø. Hovdkinn

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: OSCE ADVISORY AND MONITORING GROUP IN  
BELARUS

Head of the OSCE Advisory and Monitoring Group in Belarus, Chairman, Belarus (PC.DEL/473/99) (SEC.DEL/291/99), Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/471/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/478/99), Switzerland, Russian Federation

Agenda item 2: PRESIDENT OF THE OSCE COURT OF CONCILIATION  
AND ARBITRATION

President of the OSCE Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, Member of the Bureau of the Court, Chairman, Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania and Slovenia) (PC.DEL/472/99), France, Switzerland, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/474/99), Italy, Germany, Belarus, Liechtenstein, Sweden

Agenda item 3:           DECISION ON THE AGENDA, ORGANIZATIONAL  
FRAMEWORK, TIMETABLE AND OTHER MODALITIES  
OF THE OSCE ISTANBUL SUMMIT MEETING,  
18-19 NOVEMBER 1999

**Decision:** The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 316 (PC.DEC/316), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the agenda, organizational framework, timetable and other modalities of the OSCE Istanbul Summit Meeting, 18-19 November 1999.

The Chairman referred to the drawing of lots as foreseen in Section II paragraph 4 of the Decision and announced that the results of the drawing would be attached to the Journal (see Annex).

Agenda item 4:           PRESENTATION OF THE OSCE GENDER ACTION PLAN

Chairman, OSCE Gender Adviser, Secretary General

Agenda item 5:           CONTINUED OSCE FOCUS ON YUGOSLAVIA (SERBIA  
AND MONTENEGRO)

Chairman (CIO.GAL/69/99), Secretary General, United States of America, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belarus, Finland

Agenda item 6:           REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a)   *Co-operation between the OSCE and the Council of Europe:* Chairman
- (b)   *Stability Pact for South-Eastern Europe:* Chairman
- (c)   *Invitation for international election observers for presidential elections on 31 October 1999 in Ukraine:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/476/99)
- (d)   *Visit of the OSCE High Commissioner for National Minorities to Ukraine on 14-16 September 1999:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/475/99)
- (e)   *Announcement of the attendance of UN Deputy Secretary-General in the PC on 7 October 1999:* Chairman
- (f)   *Announcement of the attendance of German Minister for Foreign Affairs in a Special PC on 6 October 1999:* Chairman

Agenda item 7:           REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE  
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a)   *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to the Caucasus from 15-18 September 1999:* Chairman, Azerbaijan

- (b) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to the Central Asian countries from 28 September to 4 October 1999: Chairman*

Agenda item 8:           REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

*Second meeting of the OSCE Press and Public Information Officers in Sarajevo from 16-17 September 1999: Secretary General*

Agenda item 9:           ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Invitation for international election observers for parliamentary elections in Portugal on 10 October 1999: Portugal*
- (b) *Organizational matters regarding the seating arrangements for the Permanent Council: Belarus, Chairman, Austria, Netherlands*
- (c) *Organizational matters regarding the drawing of lots for the Istanbul Summit: Chairman*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 30 September 1999, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal

**247th Plenary Meeting**

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**ORDER OF STATEMENTS BY PARTICIPATING STATES  
FOR THE ISTANBUL SUMMIT MEETING 1999**

(as at 23 September 1999, 1.30 p.m.)

1. Republic of Uzbekistan
2. Russian Federation
3. Kyrgyz Republic
4. Federal Republic of Germany
5. Kingdom of Sweden
6. United States of America
7. Romania
8. Republic of Kazakhstan
9. Holy See
10. Kingdom of Spain
11. Republic of San Marino
12. Republic of Finland-European Union
13. Portuguese Republic
14. the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
15. Republic of Turkey
16. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
17. Azerbaijani Republic
18. Canada
19. Republic of Croatia
20. Republic of Poland
21. Republic of Lithuania
22. Principality of Andorra
23. Republic of Bulgaria
24. Principality of Monaco
25. Georgia
26. Swiss Confederation
27. Kingdom of Norway
28. Republic of Iceland
29. Republic of Moldova
30. Kingdom of Denmark
31. Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
32. Kingdom of the Netherlands
33. Republic of Austria
34. Italian Republic
35. Republic of Estonia
36. Republic of Latvia
37. Hellenic Republic
38. French Republic
39. Republic of Hungary
40. Republic of Albania
41. Principality of Liechtenstein
42. Ukraine
43. Republic of Slovenia
44. Republic of Armenia
45. Czech Republic
46. Republic of Cyprus
47. Republic of Belarus
48. Ireland
49. Bosnia and Herzegovina
50. Slovak Republic
51. Turkmenistan
52. Kingdom of Belgium
53. Republic of Tajikistan
54. Republic of Malta