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## Statement

by the Permanent Representative of Tajikistan, Ambassador Nuriddin Shamsov at the 914th Plenary Permanent Council Meeting (Vienna, 31 May 2012)

In response to the Report delivered by Special Representative and Coordinator for combating THB Dr. Maria Grazia Giammarinaro

## Mr. Chairman,

We welcome the OSCE Special Representative and Coordinator for combating THB Dr. Maria Grazia Giammarinaro and thank her for the comprehensive report.

Combating trafficking in human beings based on cross dimensional issues and human rights is recognized a priority for OSCE–Tajikistan cooperation during last decade. We note that despite of intense international effort to combat effectively this grave crime, it still remains a source of concern of governments in the OSCE area, including Central Asia.

In this regard, we note that Government of Tajikistan is ready to continue and further strengthen the fruitful interaction with OSCE and its Special Representative and Coordinator for combating trafficking in human beings, as well to coordinate antitrafficking activity of relevant governmental bodies. Since 2010 Tajik Government established special Working Group on combating the human beings trafficking, which contributed positively to national antitrafficking effort. We remind that Tajikistan already requested the ODHIR to provide practical support to the national Working Group with

the aim to increase capacity building issues, as well to organize more training opportunities for local experts inside and outside of the Country in order to facilitate implementation of international obligations and commitments in this field.

We believe that the prevention through labour protection and the provision of safe migration opportunities should be in the focus of the OSCE and its Office in Tajikistan's activity for forthcoming stage.

Regarding the absence of Tajik experts in recent HD Seminar on combating THB, we state that it happened due to funding constrain faced by the Government to ensure the attendance of abovementioned experts in the event. Therefore, my Delegation highly recommends the relevant OSCE executive bodies and OiT to support such important visits of Tajik experts on THB.

In conclusion, we thank once again the OSCE Special Representative and Coordinator for combating trafficking in human beings and wish success in her future endeavour.

I Thank You Mr. Chairman,