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TO THE OSCE, AT THE MEETING OF THE  
OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

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**On the tenth anniversary of the terrorist act of 11 September 2001 in the  
United States of America**

Mr. Chairperson,

In a few days exactly ten years will have elapsed since the day of the monstrous tragedy in New York. Together with the American people Russia mourns those who died and deeply admires the bravery of those who found within themselves the strength to overcome the consequences of that tragedy. My country has also experienced at first hand the horrors of terrorism.

The main lesson for all lies in the realization that the collective and co-ordinated efforts of the entire international community are required if we are to combat and prevent terrorism and eliminate the conditions that contribute to its spread.

The OSCE must also make its contribution to this struggle. We are convinced that only through joint and co-ordinated action on the part of all participants in the anti-terrorism coalition – States and international and regional organizations and also the private sector – shall we be able to curb terrorism.

Thank you for your attention.