
Norwegian Chairmanship

250th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 7 October 1999

Opened: 10.25 a.m.
Suspended: 1.30 p.m.
Resumed: 3.20 p.m.
Closed: 5.00 p.m.

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

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Chairman, 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/494/99), Canada, Turkey, Switzerland, United States of America, Russian Federation, Germany, Sweden, Armenia, Netherlands, France, Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Austria, United Kingdom, Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova, Ukraine and Uzbekistan)

Agenda item 2: OSCE MISSION TO ESTONIA

Head of the OSCE Mission to Estonia (PC.FR/26/99), Chairman, Switzerland, Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/495/99), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/502/99), Estonia

Agenda item 3: OSCE CENTRE IN BISHKEK

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/496/99), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/499/99), United States of America, Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan

Agenda item 4: HUMAN RIGHTS OMBUDSPERSON FOR BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Chairman, Human Rights Ombudsperson for Bosnia and Herzegovina (SEC.FR/782/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/503/99), 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/500/99), Switzerland, Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/497/99)

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE 1999 BUDGET FOR THE OSCE MISSION IN KOSOVO

Chairman

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 317 (PC.DEC/317), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the 1999 budget for the OSCE Mission in Kosovo.

United Kingdom, Finland-European Union, Canada

Agenda item 6: CONTINUED OSCE FOCUS ON YUGOSLAVIA (SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO)

None

Agenda item 7: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Situation in Chechnya:* Chairman, Switzerland, United States of America (PC.DEL/504/99), Latvia, Secretary General, Finland-European Union (SEC.DEL/301/99)
- (b) *Statement by the Chairman-in-Office on the so-called presidential elections and referendum in Abkhazia, Georgia:* Chairman (SEC.INF/402/99), Romania (SEC.DEL/300/99), United States of America (PC.DEL/505/99), Finland-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Iceland and Liechtenstein) (SEC.DEL/299/99), Ukraine (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Uzbekistan) (PC.DEL/507/99), Georgia (SEC.DEL/297/99), Russian Federation
- (c) *Hate speech in Kosovo:* Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/21/99) (FOM.INF/6/99), Portugal, Chairman
- (d) *Situation in Belarus:* United States of America, Belarus, Chairman

- (e) *ODIHR press release condemning violence in Ukrainian election campaign (ODIHR.INF/23/99): Ukraine (PC.DEL/506/99)*

Agenda item 8: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

Covered under previous agenda items

Agenda item 9: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Southeast European Cooperative Initiative meeting on 4 October 1999 in Vienna: Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (SEC.GAL/100/99)*
- (b) *Preparatory Seminar for the Eighth Meeting of the Economic Forum, Tashkent, 19-20 October 1999: Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities*
- (c) *Organizational matters regarding notification of OSCE-related seminars and meetings: Turkey, Chairman*

Agenda item 10: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Organizational matters regarding the Security Model Committee on 8 October: Chairman*
- (b) *Organizational matters regarding the Reinforced Meeting of the Permanent Council on regional issues on 11 October 1999: Chairman*
- (c) *Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tajikistan to address the Permanent Council on 14 October: Chairman*

4. Next meeting:

Monday, 11 October 1999, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal