

**Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Forum for Security Co-operation**  FSC.JOUR/878 20 December 2017

## **Chairmanship: Serbia**

## **872nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM**

1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 20 December 2017

Opened: 11.05 a.m. Closed: 12.30 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador R. Ninčić
- 3. <u>Subjects discussed Statements Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: CLOSING REMARKS BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FORUM FOR SECURITY CO-OPERATION, H.E. AMBASSADOR ROKSANDA NINČIĆ

Chairperson, Estonia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/262/17), Austria (FSC.DEL/261/17 OSCE+), Canada, Romania, Belarus (FSC.DEL/264/17 OSCE+), Slovenia, Russian Federation, United States of America, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Slovakia

Agenda item 2: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Sixteenth meeting of the States Parties to the Ottawa Convention, being held in Vienna from 18 to 21 December 2017: Estonia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and Moldova, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/263/17), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Belarus (FSC.DEL/265/17 OSCE+), Algeria (Partner for Co-operation), Austria

- (b) Financial contributions to OSCE projects on small arms and light weapons and stockpiles of conventional ammunition: Germany (Annex), Switzerland, Montenegro
- (c) Announcement of a conference on the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security to be held in 2018: Romania, FSC Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (Montenegro)
- (d) Fifteenth annual consultations on the review of the implementation of the Document on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures in the Naval Field in the Black Sea, held in Vienna on 14 December 2017: Turkey
- (e) *Matters of protocol*: Estonia-European Union, Estonia, Chairperson

## 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 17 January 2018, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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## STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF GERMANY

Madam Chairperson, Excellencies, Esteemed colleagues,

At the Ministerial Council in Vienna, we worked together on an important decision on small arms and light weapons (SALW) and set things in motion, and now it is in our opinion also important to support this with practical actions.

I am therefore pleased to inform you today that Germany has decided to make funds available once again for the year 2018.

A further payment of 3.1 million euros has been made into the OSCE SALW/SCA trust fund for the years 2018 and 2019 (OSCE SALW Repository Programme (Project No. 1100745)).

A significant part of the money is earmarked for the new project in Ukraine to combat the illicit trade in weapons, ammunition and explosives, where an assessment is currently under way.

The remaining funds, plus the rest of the money from the last payment, can be used for other projects for the destruction of ammunition and the safety of storage sites in consultation with Germany.

We are initially making available from this fund 209,930 euros for the completion of the Capacity Development Programme for SALW Demilitarization and Safe Storage in the Republic of Montenegro (MONDEM) (Project No. 2700240).

Furthermore, a payment has been made into the OSCE Code of Conduct Repository Programme for project work in 2018. Our contribution here is 60,000 euros.

In this way, Germany would like to make a further significant contribution to outreach activities, and we aim to use this money among other things for a possible event in Romania.

Madam Chairperson, I request that this statement be appended to the journal of the day.