

OSCE Chairman offers condolences over death of Armenian Prime Minister

Madrid. The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos, offered on 26 March his sincere condolences to the people of Armenia and the family of Prime Minister Andranik Margaryan.

OSCE Chairman condemns shooting of Georgian policemen in zone of Georgian-Ossetian conflict

Madrid. The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos, expressed on 26 March his deep concern about the shooting of two Georgian policemen in the Didmukha area in the west of the zone of the Georgian-Ossetian conflict.

Minister Moratinos said all sides needed to act responsibly to help stabilize the situation in the zone of conflict, and refrain from any actions or statements which would enflame the situation further

OSCE Chairman's Special Envoy expresses hope for continued progress in Nagorno-Karabakh peace talks

Vienna. Josep Borrell, Special Envoy of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office, expressed hope on 30 March that the parties in the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict would sustain the momentum reached so far in negotiations supported by the OSCE Minsk Group Co-Chairs.

Borrell called on the parties involved to ensure that the situation along the Line of Contact and the border between Armenia and Azerbaijan continues to be calm and stable.

OSCE Chairman's envoy urges participating States to respect fundamental freedoms

Vienna. In his closing remarks at an OSCE meeting that concluded in Vienna on 30 March, Josep Borrell, Special Envoy of the Spanish Chairman-in-Office stated that the responsibility to respect the freedom of association, assembly and expression lies with OSCE participating States themselves.

OSCE Chairman urges Ukraine's political parties to foster dialogue and cooperation

Madrid. The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos, urged on 3 April Ukraine's political parties to find a quick solution to the political crisis triggered by President Viktor Yushchenko decision to dissolve Ukrainian Parliament and to call on earlier elections.