
Chairmanship: Spain**685th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 1 November 2007

Opened: 10 a.m.
Suspended: 1 p.m.
Resumed: 3 p.m.
Closed: 4.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma
Mr. A. Pérez Martínez

3. Subjects discussed — Statements — Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: **REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR
DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

Chairperson, Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR.GAL/88/07), Portugal-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1062/07), Belarus (PC.DEL/1070/07 OSCE+), Holy See (PC.DEL/1045/07), Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/1054/07), Armenia, Canada (PC.DEL/1061/07), Norway, Turkey (PC.DEL/1068/07), United States of America (PC.DEL/1042/07), Russian Federation, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE ON COMBATING RACISM,
XENOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION, ALSO
FOCUSING ON INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST CHRISTIANS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER
RELIGIONS; ON COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM; AND
ON COMBATING INTOLERANCE AND
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MUSLIMS

Chairperson, Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims, Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism, Portugal-European Union, Egypt (Partner for Co-operation), Russian Federation, Belarus (PC.DEL/1071/07 OSCE+), Holy See (PC.DEL/1046/07), Armenia, Canada (PC.DEL/1058/07), United States of America (PC.DEL/1043/07), Norway, Turkey (PC.DEL/1069/07), Azerbaijan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Switzerland

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Death of a journalist in Kyrgyzstan*: Portugal-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Lichtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1056/07), Canada (PC.DEL/1059/07), United States of America (PC.DEL/1049/07), Kyrgyzstan

- (b) *Recent demonstrations in Belarus*: Portugal-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1063/07), Canada (PC.DEL/1060/07), Belarus (PC.DEL/1072/07/Corr.1 OSCE+)

- (c) *Recent developments in the Transdniestrian conflict settlement*: Moldova (PC.DEL/1051/07), Ukraine (PC.DEL/1050/07), Russian Federation, Azerbaijan, Georgia

- (d) *Incident in Abkhazia, Georgia, on 30 October 2007*: Georgia (PC.DEL/1047/07), Portugal-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1064/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/1053/07 OSCE+)

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE TIMETABLE AND
 ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE FIFTEENTH
 MEETING OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 807 (PC.DEC/807), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the timetable and organizational modalities of the Fifteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL
 MODALITIES OF THE 2007 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN
 SEMINAR (not adopted)

Chairperson, Turkey

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

*Announcement of the distribution of the report on the activities of the
Chairman-in-Office:* Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

*Announcement of the distribution of the report of the Secretary General
(SEC.GAL/210/07 OSCE+):* Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Parliamentary elections in the Russian Federation, to be held on 2 December 2007: Russian Federation, Portugal-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/1065/07), Canada (PC.DEL/1067/07), United States of America (PC.DEL/1048/07)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 8 November 2007, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



685th Plenary Meeting

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**DECISION No. 807
TIMETABLE AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES
OF THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE
OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

(Madrid, 29 and 30 November 2007)

I. Timetable

Thursday, 29 November 2007

- 9.30 a.m. Opening session (open)
- Formal opening and adoption of the agenda
 - Addresses by representatives of the host country
 - Address by the OSCE Chairman-in-Office
 - Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
 - Report by the OSCE Secretary General
- First plenary session (closed)
- Statements by heads of delegations
- 12.45 p.m. Family photo
- 1 p.m. Working lunch for the ministers for foreign affairs/heads of delegations
- Separate luncheon for members of delegations
- 3–6 p.m. Second plenary session (closed)
- Statements by heads of delegations

- 8.30 p.m. Official dinner for ministers for foreign affairs/heads of delegations
 Separate dinner for other members of delegations

Friday, 30 November 2007

- 9.30 a.m. Third plenary session (closed)
- Statements by heads of delegations
 - Adoption of Ministerial Council documents
 - Any other business
- Closing session (open)
- Formal closure (statements by the current and incoming Chairmen-in-Office)
- 1.30 p.m. Press conference of the OSCE Troika ministers

II. Organizational modalities

1. The Fifteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council will be conducted in accordance with the OSCE Rules of Procedure.
2. The Meeting will be held at the Municipal Conference Centre of Madrid (Palacio Municipal de Congresos). Delegations of the participating States will be provided with a total of eight seats in the meeting room — one at the table, four behind and three in the auditorium. The European Commission will have one additional seat next to the participating State holding the EU Presidency. Seats will be reserved for invited organizations, institutions and countries.
3. The following international organizations and institutions will be invited to attend the Meeting and make contributions:

The United Nations, the Council of Europe, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe.

These organizations will be invited to address the Meeting in the above order after the statements by the participating States and the Partners for Co-operation.

4. The following international organizations, institutions and initiatives will be invited to attend the Meeting and, if they so wish, make written contributions:

Adriatic-Ionian Initiative; African Union; Asian Development Bank; Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN); ASEAN Regional Forum; Barents Euro-Arctic Council; Central European Initiative; Collective Security Treaty Organization; Commonwealth of

Independent States; Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia; Council of the Baltic Sea States; Economic Cooperation Organization; Energy Charter Secretariat; Eurasian Economic Community; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; European Investment Bank; Europol; Financial Action Task Force; International Atomic Energy Agency; International Committee of the Red Cross; International Criminal Court; International Criminal Police Organization; International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia; International Energy Agency; International Labour Organization; International Monetary Fund; International Organization for Migration; League of Arab States; Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM; Organisation internationale de la Francophonie; Organization of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation; Organization of the Islamic Conference; Shanghai Cooperation Organisation; South-East European Cooperation Process; Southeast European Cooperative Initiative; United Nations Children's Fund; United Nations Development Fund for Women; United Nations Development Programme; United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; United Nations Economic Commission for Europe; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; United Nations Environment Programme; United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime; World Bank and the World Customs Organization.

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Activities in parallel to the Ministerial Council Meeting

The day before the Fifteenth Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, 28 November 2007, the OSCE Troika ministers and the ministers for foreign affairs of the Asian Partners for Co-operation will have a meeting at 7.30 p.m. On 30 November 2007 a meeting between the OSCE Troika ministers and the ministers for foreign affairs of the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation will take place at 8.30 a.m.

The organizational modalities foreseen for the Fifteenth Meeting of the Ministerial Council will not apply to the parallel activities.