

ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE (27 April to 3 May)

OSCE Chairman-in-Office commends authorities in Skopje on their reform efforts and encourages them to continue on this path

SKOPJE, 27 April 2006 - During his visit to Skopje, the Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met President Branko Crvenkovski, Prime Minister Vlado Buckovski as well as others members of the government.

Minister Karel De Gucht congratulated the country on its progress toward Euro-Atlantic integration. He also encouraged authorities in Skopje to continue on this path of reforms.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office condemns jailing of Belarusian opposition leader Milinkevich and calls for his immediate release

SOFIA, 27 April 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office has expressed deep concern about the imprisonment of Belarus's main opposition leader, Alyaksandr Milinkevich, and other activists and called for their immediate release.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

SOFIA, 28 April 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office met Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, Sergey Lavrov.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met President of Georgia

BRUSSELS, 28 April 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met President Mikheil Saakashvili.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine BRUSSELS, 29 April 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Borys Tarasiuk.