

Chairmanship: Norway

799th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM

1. Date: Wednesday, 14 October 2015

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 12.50 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador R. Kvile

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, Luxembourg-European Union, the Russian Federation, the United States of America, Poland, Austria, Ukraine, Canada, Serbia and Switzerland extended their condolences to the families of the victims of the terrorist attacks in Turkey. Turkey thanked the Chairperson and delegations for this expression of sympathy.

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

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE ON THE “PREPARATION FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL MILITARY DOCTRINE SEMINAR TO BE HELD IN FEBRUARY 2016 – A THEORETICAL VIEW ON MILITARY DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT”

– *Presentation on military doctrine development by Lieutenant Colonel J. Hansson, Swedish Armed Forces, Policy and Plans Department*

– *Presentation entitled “Norwegian Joint Operational Doctrine: Heritage, revision and purpose” by Lieutenant Colonel P. Ydstebø, Norwegian Defence Command and Staff College, Department for Military Strategy and Operations*

Chairperson, Lieutenant Colonel J. Hansson (FSC.DEL/184/15 OSCE+), Lieutenant Colonel P. Ydstebø (FSC.DEL/185/15 OSCE+), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland 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, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/187/15), Russian Federation, Netherlands, United States of America, Sweden, Poland, Austria

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

- (a) *Situation in and around Ukraine*: Ukraine (Annex 1) (FSC.DEL/189/15), Luxembourg-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/188/15), United States of America, Russian Federation, Canada
- (b) *Workshop on the physical security and stockpile management of small arms and light weapons and stockpiles of conventional ammunition, held in Yerevan from 6 to 8 October 2015*: Armenia, Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Austria

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Note verbale from San Marino on its unavailability to chair the Forum for Security Co-operation in 2017 (FSC.DEL/186/15 Restr.)*: Chairperson
- (b) *Joint Serbian-Swiss workshop on the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security – review and outlook: norm setting, implementation, parliamentary oversight and outreach, held in Belgrade from 6 to 9 October 2015*: Serbia (Annex 2), Switzerland
- (c) *Matters of protocol*: Austria, Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 21 October 2015, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF UKRAINE

Mr. Chairperson,

In connection with today's statement by the Russian delegation on the status of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea (ARC), the delegation of Ukraine wishes to emphasize the following.

International law prohibits the acquisition of part or all of another State's territory through coercion or force. The Autonomous Republic of Crimea, which remains an integral part of Ukraine, was illegally occupied and annexed by the Russian Federation in violation of OSCE principles and commitments and norms of international law. Illegitimate actions on the part of the Russian Federation do not have any legal consequences with regard to the status of the ARC as an integral part of Ukraine. The territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders is safeguarded by international law and UN General Assembly resolution 68/262 of 27 March 2014, "Territorial integrity of Ukraine".

The Russian Federation is now in breach of such fundamental principles of the Helsinki Final Act as sovereign equality and respect for the rights inherent in sovereignty, refraining from the threat or use of force, inviolability of frontiers, territorial integrity of States, peaceful settlement of disputes, non-intervention in internal affairs, and fulfilment in good faith of obligations in international law.

We call on the Russian Federation to return to the tenets of international law and reverse the annexation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea.

The delegation of Ukraine requests that this statement be registered in the journal of the day.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA

Mr. Chairperson,
Distinguished colleagues,

I would like to take this opportunity to inform the Forum about the outcomes of the joint Serbian-Swiss OSCE Code of Conduct workshop held from 6 to 9 October 2015 in Belgrade.

The workshop was co-organized by the Republic of Serbia and Switzerland during our consecutive OSCE Chairmanships and supported by the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre and the OSCE Mission to Serbia, with the aim of promoting the implementation of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security within the OSCE and among its Mediterranean and Asian Partners for Co-operation.

The event provided an opportunity to review more than 20 years of the existence and implementation of the Code. It brought together over 60 participants from more than 20 participating States and Partners for Co-operation, as well as representatives of OSCE institutions, Parliamentary Assembly, academia and civil society.

The main topics discussed were related to the democratic control of armed and security forces, parliamentary oversight and control, security sector reform and governance, defence reform, respect for international humanitarian law and for the human rights of armed forces personnel, and the inclusion of issues related to women, peace and security.

It was mentioned that modern security challenges highlight the need for more effective implementation of the OSCE Code of Conduct and therefore for raising awareness of this document among military personnel and staff officers and diplomats and civil society representatives.

Mr. Chairperson,

We will present a summary of the workshop later this month, at the 801st Plenary Meeting of the Forum for Security Co-operation, which will be devoted to the implementation of the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security.

Before concluding, on behalf of the Republic of Serbia and on my own behalf I would like to express gratitude for the co-operation and significant support of Switzerland and the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre. Special thanks are due to the OSCE Mission to Serbia for its assistance in organizing this event.

We thank you for your attention and kindly ask that this statement be attached to the journal of the meeting.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.