

Romanian Chairmanship

334th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 26 April 2001

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 12.40 p.m.

2. Chairman: Mr. T. Chebeleu
Ms. V. Epure

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Media situation in Belarus:* OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, Belarus (PC.DEL/261/01), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/266/01), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/259/01), Canada, Latvia
- (b) *Fifteenth commemoration of the Chernobyl accident:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/268/01), Belarus (PC.DEL/262/01), Russian Federation, Sweden-European Union (European Commission) (SEC.DEL/100/01), Turkey
- (c) *Expulsion of Czech journalist from Belarus:* Czech Republic, Belarus
- (d) *Recent violent incidents in Kosovo:* United States of America (PC.DEL/265/01), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/256/01), Yugoslavia, Russian Federation, Chairman
- (e) *Regional meeting of foreign ministers with the Secretary of State of the United States of America in Skopje on 12 April 2001:* the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (PC.DEL/257/01)
- (f) *Media situation in the Russian Federation:* United States of America (PC.DEL/263/01), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria,

Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic) (PC.DEL/255/01) (SEC.DEL/101/01), Canada, Russian Federation

- (g) *Situation in Central Asia*: Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
- (h) *Parliamentary elections in Cyprus on 27 May 2001*: Cyprus

Agenda item 2: BRIEFING ON OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES

- (a) *Situation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*: Chairman
- (b) *Situation in Belarus*: Chairman, United States of America (PC.DEL/267/01), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/259/01), Russian Federation, Belarus, Canada, Latvia
- (c) *Regional OSCE Heads of Mission meeting in Baku from 24 to 26 April 2001*: Director for Human Resources
- (d) *Regional OSCE Heads of Mission meeting in Bishkek on 23 and 24 April 2001*: Director for Human Resources
- (e) *Situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina*: Director for Human Resources
- (f) *Security situation in Kosovo*: Director for Human Resources
- (g) *Staffing issues*: Director for Human Resources

Agenda item 3: BRIEFING BY THE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC
 INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ELECTIONS IN
 MONTENEGRO (YUGOSLAVIA)

Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR.GAL/23/01 Restr.), Sweden-European Union (also on behalf of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey) (PC.DEL/258/01), Switzerland, United States of America (PC.DEL/264/01), Canada, Russian Federation, Yugoslavia, Norway, Chairman

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE APPOINTMENT
 OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Chairman

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 409 (PC.DEC/409), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the appointment of the external auditor.

Sweden

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg on 24 April 2001: Chairman*
- (b) *Meeting of the Chairman-in-Office with ambassadors of participating States and Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation in Bucharest on 25 April 2001: Chairman*

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *High-level 3+3 meeting between the OSCE, the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and the Council of Europe, held in Bucharest on 11 April 2001: Director for Human Resources (SEC.GAL/59/01)*
- (b) *Visit of the Secretary General to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva on 18 April 2001: Director for Human Resources*
- (c) *Current visit of the Secretary General to Central Asia from 23 to 28 April 2001: Director for Human Resources*
- (d) *REACT implementation: Director for Human Resources*
- (e) *Visit of delegations to Bosnia and Herzegovina from 8 to 10 May 2001: Director for Human Resources*

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *People's Assembly elections in Albania on 24 June 2001: Albania*
- (b) *Chairmanship of the OSCE in 2007: Turkey (PC.DEL/260/01), Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Georgia*
- (c) *Voluntary contribution to the South-Eastern Europe University in Tetovo: Switzerland, Chairman*
- (d) *Informal open-ended consultations on follow-up to consultations on the Economic and Environmental Dimension on 26 April 2001: Chairman*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 3 May 2001, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal