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**Chairmanship: Slovakia****874th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM**1. Date: Wednesday, 24 January 2018Opened: 10 a.m.  
Suspended: 1.05 p.m.  
Resumed: 3 p.m.  
Closed: 3.55 p.m.2. Chairperson: Ambassador R. Boháč3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE: “INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS  
IN THE FIELD OF SALW AND SCA COMPLEMENTING  
OSCE EFFORTS”

- *Presentation by Mr. T. Van Beneden, Project Officer (Partnership for Peace), NATO Support and Procurement Agency*
- *Presentation by Ms. S. Inglis, Governance and Peacebuilding, UNDP Regional Hub Istanbul*

Chairperson, Mr. T. Van Beneden (FSC.DEL/11/18 OSCE+), Ms. S. Inglis (FSC.DEL/12/18 OSCE+), Bulgaria-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/13/18), Switzerland, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, United States of America, Armenia, Ukraine, Belarus, United Kingdom, Slovenia, Montenegro, FSC Co-ordinator on Matters Relating to UNSCR 1325 (Italy), FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), Russian Federation

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

*Situation in and around Ukraine:* Ukraine (FSC.DEL/10/18 OSCE+), Bulgaria-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/14/18), Canada, United States of America, Russian Federation, Germany

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Modernization of the Vienna Document:* Chairperson, Co-ordinator of the FSC Chair for the Vienna Document (Switzerland), Russian Federation, Germany
- (b) *Announcing and reminding mechanism with regard to the annual exchange of military information:* Chairperson
- (c) *Briefing on the seventy-eighth meeting of the OSCE Communications Group, held on 14 December 2017 (FSC.GAL/139/17 Restr.):* Representative of the Conflict Prevention Centre, Chairperson

The FSC agreed on Friday, 14 December 2018 as the date for the 2018 annual exchange of military information.

- (d) *Request for the continuation of the joint OSCE–UNDP Capacity Development Programme for Conventional Ammunition Stockpile Management for the Republic of Serbia (CASM):* Serbia (Annex)

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 31 January 2018, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA**

Mr. Chairperson,

Improving regional stability and security and reducing proliferation, *inter alia* through participation in the work of almost all important regional initiatives and through co-operation with relevant international organizations as well as with individual countries on a bilateral basis, puts the Republic of Serbia among the countries that attach the greatest priority to security issues in foreign policy.

That is why we initiated the Capacity Development Programme for Conventional Ammunition Stockpile Management for the Republic of Serbia (CASM) and requested OSCE assistance with its implementation at the end of 2011.

Taking into account the recommendations of the OSCE, the CASM projects included the demilitarization of special types of conventional ammunition (filled with white phosphate and napalm powder) and the improvement of the safety and security of the demilitarization process in TRZ Kragujevac through the installation of a fire protection system and video surveillance, as well as through action on environmental risks and dangers.

The project on improving security and safety will be completed in the first half of 2018, thus ending one part of the CASM Programme. Through its participation in this programme, the Republic of Serbia has proved to be a credible partner in co-operation with international institutions (in particular with the OSCE and UNDP which participate intensively in the CASM Programme) and a contributor to regional security and stability.

With this in mind, we would like to respectfully request the continuation of the CASM Programme implementation, through the activities under the second component of the Programme, namely the reconstruction of stockpile facilities in the “Mirnička Reka” stockpile complex in southern Serbia.

In accordance with our initial request and the OSCE recommendations, measures for safety and security improvement would include the reconstruction of the infrastructure in the complex which, after the successful implementation of these measures, will represent the minimal risk of proliferation or to the environment.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all the donors within the CASM Programme and to invite you once again to help us to fully implement this important project.

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

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.