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DECISION No. 10/08  
OSCE WORKSHOP ON A COMPREHENSIVE OSCE APPROACH TO ENHANCING CYBER SECURITY

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 3/04, on combating the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes, which calls on the participating States to exchange information on the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes and to identify possible strategies to combat this threat;

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 7/06, on countering the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes, which voices the participating States’ concern over continued hacker attacks and calls on them to take appropriate measures to protect vital and critical information infrastructures and networks against the threat of cyber attacks,

Mindful of the significance of information exchange between the participating States on national approaches and practices with regard to cyber security, drawing on the provisions contained in the aforementioned Ministerial Council decisions related to information exchange and co-operation among participating States regarding countering the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes, which may further contribute to enhanced transparency among participating States,

Recalling the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security, in which the participating States recognized that security is indivisible and that the security of each of them is inseparably linked to the security of all the others,

Decides:

1. To organize an OSCE Workshop on a Comprehensive OSCE Approach to Enhancing Cyber Security, to be held on 17 and 18 March 2009, in Vienna, with the participation of relevant international organizations and in line with the outline description of the Workshop annexed to this decision;

2. To request the OSCE Secretariat to support the organization of this Workshop;

3. To invite the participating States to consider providing extrabudgetary contributions for the above-mentioned event.
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Vienna, 17 and 18 March 2009

The OSCE Workshop on a Comprehensive OSCE Approach to Enhancing Cyber Security, in March 2009, will promote a comprehensive approach to enhancing cyber security in the OSCE region.

It will be conducted with a view to:

1. Increasing the awareness of the OSCE participating States regarding concrete steps that can be taken to strengthen cyber security;

2. Exchanging information on national practices with regard to cyber security between the OSCE participating States and relevant international actors/organizations;

3. Showcasing potential defensive measures, lessons learned and relevant best practices;

4. Focusing on a possible role for the OSCE in such a comprehensive approach to enhancing cyber security, and identifying concrete measures for possible follow-up action by all the relevant OSCE bodies.