JOINT DECLARATION

by the mediators in the Transdniestrian settlement from the OSCE, Russian Federation and Ukraine

(Chisinau, 11 August 2005)

On the basis of the agreement, reached on 3 August of this year during the meeting in Vienna, the mediators in the Transdniestrian settlement from OSCE, Russian Federation and Ukraine met on 10 August of this year with representatives of the Republic of Moldova and Transdniestria.

During the meetings the current situation, which emerged in the negotiation process, was discussed. The mediators expressed their concern over the lingering pause in the settlement of the Transdniestrian question and the absence of direct dialogue between political representatives of Chisinau and Tiraspol.

The mediators proposed to the representatives of the Republic of Moldova and Transdniestria a number of concrete steps, which, in their opinion, will contribute to the resumption of the settlement process in the nearest future.

In the course of consultations an agreement was reached on the initiation by the mediators of a meeting, in the framework of resuming the negotiation process, the organization of which is planned for the second half of September of this year.

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