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DECISION No. 1127
AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE
2014 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

(Neum, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 27 and 28 October 2014)

The Permanent Council,

Welcoming the offer by Bosnia and Herzegovina to host the 2014 OSCE
Mediterranean Conference,

Further to the discussion in the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for
Co-operation,

Decides to hold the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference on the topic “Illicit
Trafficking in Small Arms and Light Weapons and Fight against Terrorism in the
Mediterranean Region” on 27 and 28 October 2014;

Adopts the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the Conference, as
contained in the annex.

**AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF
THE 2014 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE ON ILLICIT
TRAFFICKING IN SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS AND
FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM IN THE
MEDITERRANEAN REGION**

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I. Indicative agenda

Introduction

Following the discussions in the framework of the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation in 2012, the OSCE Mediterranean Conference will focus primarily on one of the three dimensions of security, on a rotational basis. Since the 2013 OSCE Mediterranean Conference was focused on enhancing the role of women in public, political and economic life (third dimension), the 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference will focus on the first dimension of security (politico-military). It will provide opportunities for the sharing views and experiences among the OSCE participating States and Mediterranean Partners in view of identifying avenues for concrete co-operation and providing for exchange of best practices. The Conference will pursue a participatory approach, with limited time devoted to presentations of keynote speakers, and substantive inputs and exchanges from the floor. All participants are encouraged to actively contribute to the discussions.

Monday, 27 October 2014

8.30–9.15 a.m.	Registration of participants
9.15–10 a.m.	Opening session
10–10.30 a.m.	Coffee break
10.30 a.m.–12.45 p.m.	Session I: The issue at stake – current and emerging threats in small arms and light weapons illicit trafficking
12.45–2.15 p.m.	Lunch break
2.15–3.45 p.m.	Session II: SALW illicit trafficking: routes and modalities
3.45–4.15 p.m.	Coffee break

4.15–5.45 p.m. Session III: Counter-terrorism – shared experience and enhancing co-operation between the OSCE and the Mediterranean Partners

7.30 p.m. Dinner hosted by Bosnia and Herzegovina

Tuesday, 28 October 2014

9.30–11.30 a.m. Session IV: Enhancing the role of women in public, political and economic life (follow-up to the Mediterranean Conference 2013)

11.30 a.m.–12 noon Coffee break

12 noon–1 p.m. Closing session

1.30–3 p.m. Buffet lunch hosted by the OSCE Secretariat

II. Participation

The Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and Tunisia) will participate in and contribute to the Conference. The Asian Partners for Co-operation (Afghanistan, Australia, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Thailand) will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference.

The OSCE institutions, including the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference. The following international organizations and institutions will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference: Adriatic Ionian Initiative, African Development Bank, African Union, Central European Initiative, Collective Security Treaty Organization, Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia, Council of Europe, Economic Co-operation Organization, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, European Investment Bank, European Union, Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States, 5+5 Dialogue on Migration in the Western Mediterranean, Financial Action Task Force, International Centre for Migration Policy Development, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, International Labour Organisation, International Monetary Fund, International Organization for Migration, Islamic Development Bank, Inter-parliamentary Union, League of Arab States, Mediterranean Forum, Middle East and North Africa Region Financial Action Task Force, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, OPEC Fund, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Organisation for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie, Organization of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation, Organization of Islamic Cooperation, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean, Regional Co-operation Council, Shanghai Cooperation Organization, Southeast European Co-operative Initiative, South Eastern Europe Co-operation Process, Union for the Mediterranean, UN Habitat, United Nations, UN Al-Qaida Sanctions Monitoring Team, United Cities and Local Governments, UNICEF, UN

Counter-Terrorism Committee, United Nations Alliance of Civilisations, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UN Women, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the World Bank.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations will be able to attend and contribute to the Conference in accordance with the relevant OSCE provisions and practices (advance registration required).

Other countries and organizations may be invited by the host country.

III. Organizational modalities

The Conference will begin at 9.15 a.m. (opening session) on the first day, and end at 1 p.m. on the second day.

Each session will have a moderator and a rapporteur appointed by the Chairperson. The consolidated summary will be forwarded to the Permanent Council for further consideration.

Appropriate arrangements for press coverage will be made.

The working language will be English. At the request of several participating States interpretation will be provided from and into French. These arrangements will not constitute a precedent that can be relied upon in other circumstances.

The Rules of Procedure of the OSCE will be followed, *mutatis mutandis*, at the Conference. Also, the guidelines for organizing OSCE meetings (Permanent Council Decision No. 762) will be taken into account.

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Attachment

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**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Spain:

“Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

Spain, which is very interested in the development of our relations with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation and welcomes the decision just adopted in the Permanent Council approving the agenda and modalities of the upcoming 2014 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, would like to make an interpretative statement regarding the languages to be used in the Conference.

My delegation, which welcomes the fact that English and French can be used indiscriminately during the Conference, as this will foster the discussions with our Mediterranean Partners, nevertheless considers that this regime is exceptional and, as the decision itself states, should not serve as a precedent for future OSCE meetings of other types involving the participating States alone.

I request that this statement be attached to the Permanent Council decision that has been adopted.

Thank you.”