

Portuguese Chairmanship**426th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 12 December 2002

Opened: 10.10 a.m.

Suspended: 1.15 p.m.

Resumed: 3.15 p.m.

Closed: 4.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. F. Seixas da Costa

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY H.E. THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN
AFFAIRS OF CROATIA

Chairperson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia (PC.DEL/993/02), Head of the OSCE Mission to Croatia, Denmark-European Union (with the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union and the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/994/02), United States of America (PC.DEL/1008/02), Norway, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Canada, Yugoslavia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/1011/02)

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE MISSION TO CROATIA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 514 (PC.DEC/514), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Croatia.

Agenda item 3: ADDRESS BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE IN GENEVA

Director-General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, United States of America (PC.DEL/1009/02), Denmark-European Union (with the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union and the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey in alignment) (PC.DEL/995/02), Russian Federation, Chairperson

Agenda item 4: OSCE REPRESENTATIVE ON FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA

OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/20/02), Denmark-European Union (with Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic in alignment) (PC.DEL/996/02), Chairperson, United States of America (PC.DEL/1002/02), Russian Federation, Ukraine, Belarus (PC.DEL/998/02), Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Yugoslavia, Armenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Agenda item 5: OSCE OFFICE IN BAKU

Head of the OSCE Office in Baku (PC.FR/42/02 Restr.), Denmark-European Union (with Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic in alignment) (PC.DEL/997/02), Canada, United States of America, Russian Federation, Turkey (PC.DEL/1003/02 Restr.), Azerbaijan, Chairperson

Agenda item 6: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE MISSION IN KOSOVO

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 515 (PC.DEC/515), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo.

Yugoslavia (interpretative statement, see attachment to the decision)

Agenda item 7: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE MISSION TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
YUGOSLAVIA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 516 (PC.DEC/516), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Agenda item 8: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE SPILLOVER MONITOR MISSION TO SKOPJE
(not adopted)

Chairperson

Agenda item 9: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 517 (PC.DEC/517), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Agenda item 10: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE CENTRE IN ALMATY

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 518 (PC.DEC/518), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Centre in Almaty.

Agenda item 11: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE OFFICE IN BAKU

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 519 (PC.DEC/519), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Office in Baku.

Agenda item 12: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
THE OSCE OFFICE IN YEREVAN

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 520 (PC.DEC/520), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Office in Yerevan.

Agenda item 13: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF
 THE OSCE MISSION TO MOLDOVA

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 521 (PC.DEC/521), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Moldova.

Moldova (see annex to the journal), Romania (PC.DEL/1001/02)

Agenda item 14: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine:*
Chairperson, Ukraine

- (b) *Situation in Uzbekistan:* Denmark-European Union (with Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic in alignment) (PC.DEL/999/02), United States of America (PC.DEL/1007/02), Norway, Canada, Uzbekistan, Chairperson

- (c) *Situation in Turkmenistan:* Denmark-European Union (with Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Czech Republic in alignment) (PC.DEL/1000/02), United States of America (PC.DEL/1006/02), Canada (also on behalf of Norway), Chairperson, Turkmenistan (PC.DEL/1004/02), United Kingdom, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

- (d) *Presidential elections in Serbia, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, held on 8 December 2002:* Chairperson, United States of America (PC.DEL/1005/02), Denmark-European Union, Yugoslavia

Agenda item 15: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

None

Agenda item 16: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

None

Agenda item 17: BRIEFING ON THE OSCE FIELD ACTIVITIES

None

Agenda item 18: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Appointment of the Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights: Chairperson*
- (b) *Negotiations between the Chairmanship and Belarus on a future OSCE presence in Belarus: Chairperson*
- (c) *Committee on relations with the host country: Chairperson*
- (d) *Organizational matters related to the informal Financial Committee: Chairperson*
- (e) *Parliamentary elections in the Netherlands, to be held on 22 January 2003: Netherlands (PC.DEL/1010/02)*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 19 December 2002, at 10 a.m., in the Grosser Redoutensaal



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Annex

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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF MOLDOVA

Mr. Chairman,

This delegation would like to welcome the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Mission to Moldova. I would also like to take this opportunity to underline the special attention paid by the Republic of Moldova to the OSCE's plenary involvement in the settlement of certain issues of great importance for my country.

The Porto Ministerial Statement on Moldova adopted a few days ago is an eloquent proof in this sense. At the same time, we would like to reiterate that we gave our consensus to the document guided by the understanding of importance of permitting this Organization as a whole and each individual participating State to demonstrate in 2003 that progress is and needs to be made possible on the full implementation of the Istanbul Summit decisions on Moldova.

However, we must also state that the techniques used by a number of mostly involved Delegations in view of obtaining our consensus were unprecedented for our Organization and they could never be referred as a negotiation process in the traditional sense of the phrase.

We express our regret in this respect and expect that the incoming Chairman-in-Office would not permit these practices to occur again, as it considerably lowers the standards of the Organization we used to praise for its transparency and equality of all its members.

Thank you.