1049th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 30 April 2015

   Opened: 10.10 a.m.
   Suspended: 1 p.m.
   Resumed: 3.20 p.m.
   Closed: 5.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador V. Žugić

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

   Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR DEMOCRACY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – GUAM, H.E. VALERY CHECHELASHVILI

   Chairperson, Secretary General of the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM, Ukraine (PC.DEL/534/15 OSCE+), Latvia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/511/15/Rev.1), United States of America (PC.DEL/512/15/Rev.1), Georgia (PC.DEL/540/15 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/539/15 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/535/15 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/524/15 OSCE+), Moldova

   Agenda item 2: DECISION ON THE DATES AND VENUE OF THE 2015 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

   Chairperson

   Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1169 (PC.DEC/1169) on the dates and venue of the 2015 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, the text of which is appended to this journal.
Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson

(a) **Ongoing aggression against Ukraine and violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation:** Ukraine (PC.DEL/536/15 OSCE+), Latvia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/518/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/513/15), Turkey (PC.DEL/541/15 OSCE+), Switzerland (PC.DEL/516/15 OSCE+), Canada (PC.DEL/525/15 OSCE+)

(b) **Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements:** Russian Federation (PC.DEL/532/15), Ukraine, United States of America, Germany, France

(c) **Commemoration of the centennial of the Armenian genocide:** Armenia (PC.DEL/515/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/514/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/538/15), France (PC.DEL/552/15), Greece, Cyrus (PC.DEL/546/15 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/533/15 OSCE+), Germany (PC.DEL/545/15), Turkey (PC.DEL/542/15 OSCE+), United Kingdom

(d) **Ceasefire violations along the line of contact between Nagorno-Karabakh and Azerbaijan:** Armenia (PC.DEL/527/15), Azerbaijan

(e) **Situation in the occupied territories of the Republic of Azerbaijan:** Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/531/15 OSCE+), Turkey

(f) **The issue of migration in the Mediterranean region:** Latvia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Moldova, Monaco and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/519/15), Norway (PC.DEL/551/15), Turkey

(g) **Presidential elections in Kazakhstan, held on 26 April 2015:** Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/544/15 OSCE+), Latvia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the European Free Trade Association country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/521/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/526/15), Belarus (PC.DEL/543/15 OSCE+), Tajikistan, Norway (PC.DEL/550/15), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/530/15), Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan
(h) Right to privacy in the OSCE area: Russian Federation, Norway, Canada, Belgium, United States of America

(i) International Workers’ Day, observed on 1 May 2015: Russian Federation

(j) Situation in Baltimore, United States of America: United States of America (PC.DEL/529/15), Russian Federation, Latvia-European Union

(k) World Press Freedom Day, observed on 3 May 2015: United States of America (PC.DEL/528/15), Russian Federation, United Kingdom, Norway

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

(a) OSCE Ministerial Troika meeting, held in Belgrade on 28 April 2015: Chairperson

(b) Visit of the Chairperson-in-Office to Bosnia and Herzegovina on 28 and 29 April 2015: Chairperson

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Seventeenth EU-Ukraine Summit, held in Kyiv on 27 April 2015: Ukraine (PC.DEL/537/15 OSCE+), Latvia-European Union

(b) Response to a press release issued by the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media on 28 April 2015 (FOM.PR/50/15): Luxembourg

(c) First regional conference of Russian compatriots from northern Europe and the Baltics, held in Warsaw on 16 and 17 April 2015: Russian Federation, United States of America

(d) Seminar on the Helsinki+40 process, held in Copenhagen on 27 April 2015: OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 7 May 2015, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal
DECISION No. 1169
DATES AND VENUE OF THE 2015 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

(Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, 20 and 21 October 2015)

The Permanent Council,

Welcoming the offer by the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to host the 2015 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, and further to discussions with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation,

Decides to hold the 2015 OSCE Mediterranean Conference in Jordan, on 20 and 21 October 2015.

The agenda, timetable and other organizational modalities of the Conference will be further elaborated in the framework of the Mediterranean Contact Group and submitted to the Permanent Council for adoption.