

Chairmanship: Serbia**1056th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 4 June 2015

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Suspended: 1.05 p.m.

Resumed: 3.15 p.m.

Closed: 4.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador V. Žugić

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

Agenda item 1: ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF MALTA, H.E. GEORGE VELLA

Chairperson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malta, 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 countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/733/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/725/15), Russian Federation, Turkey, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/739/15 OSCE+), Norway, Spain, Armenia (PC.DEL/726/15), Ukraine (PC.DEL/743/15 OSCE+), Egypt (Partner for Co-operation), Jordan (Partner for Co-operation)

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN
UZBEKISTAN

Chairperson, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan (PC.FR/21/15 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 Norway, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment)

(PC.DEL/734/15), United States of America (PC.DEL/729/15), Russian Federation, Turkey, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/727/15 OSCE+), Uzbekistan (PC.DEL/741/15 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Chairperson, Secretary General

- (a) *Ongoing aggression against Ukraine and violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/742/15 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/732/15), Switzerland (PC.DEL/745/15 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/740/15 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/735/15), Norway, Canada
- (b) *Situation in Ukraine and the need to implement the Minsk agreements:* Russian Federation, Ukraine, Germany, United States of America, France
- (c) *Abolition of the death penalty in the state of Nebraska, United States of America:* Latvia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/736/15), Norway (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mongolia and Switzerland), United States of America (PC.DEL/730/15)
- (d) *Detention of human rights defenders Ms. E. Urlaeva and Mr. A. Farmonov in Uzbekistan:* United States of America (PC.DEL/731/15), Uzbekistan
- (e) *International Day for Protection of Children, observed on 1 June 2015:* Russian Federation, Belarus (PC.DEL/746/15 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/738/15 OSCE+), Kazakhstan, Armenia
- (f) *Proposed amendments to education legislation in Latvia:* Russian Federation, Latvia
- (g) *Situation of the Romani people in Norway:* Norway, United States of America

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

- (a) *Visit of the Chairperson-in-Office to Baku, Tbilisi and Yerevan from 1 to 3 June 2015:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/79/15)

- (b) *Fifty-sixth meeting of the Ergneti Incident Prevention and Response Mechanism (IPRM), held on 4 June 2015: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/79/15)*

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings*
- (b) *Appeal for the nomination of candidates for the post of Head of the Community Security Initiative Project: OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings*

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Reform efforts aimed at strengthening democracy, the rule of law and good governance in Ukraine: Ukraine (PC.DEL/744/15 OSCE+), Latvia-European Union (PC.DEL/737/15)

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 9 June 2015, at 10.30 a.m., in the Ratsaal