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**DECISION No. 451  
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE  
OSCE MISSION TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA**

The Permanent Council,

Recalling Permanent Council Decision No. 401, of 11 January 2001, on the establishment of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Permanent Council Decision No. 402 on the initial Budget for the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia,

Further recalling Permanent Council Decision No. 444 of 15 November 2001 to establish an office in Podgorica, as well as the Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the OSCE on the establishment of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, signed 16 March 2001,

Decides:

- To extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, until 31 December 2002;
- To increase the size of the Mission up to 37 international staff.

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**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT  
UNDER PARAGRAPH 79 (CHAPTER 6) OF THE  
FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HELSINKI CONSULTATIONS**

By the Delegation of Belgium on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Turkey:

“With regard to the decision to extend the mandate of the OSCE Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the European Union and associated countries consider the number of international staff members proposed as a ceiling which in no way prejudices the relevant budgetary decision. We ask that this interpretative statement be included in the Journal of today’s meeting.”