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**Belgian Chairmanship****612th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 8 June 2006

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 1.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. de Crombrughe

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, welcomed the new Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the OSCE, Mr. Stanislav Raščan. The Chairperson also made an announcement regarding the seat of Serbia in the Permanent Council (Annex).

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

Agenda item 1: OSCE OFFICE IN BAKU

Head of the OSCE Office in Baku (PC.FR/12/06 OSCE+), Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/511/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/510/06 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/520/06), Canada (PC.DEL/519/06), Azerbaijan, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: OSCE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ESTONIAN  
COMMISSION ON MILITARY PENSIONERS

OSCE Representative to the Estonian Commission on Military Pensioners, Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; as

well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/513/06), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/521/06), Chairperson

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Case of the Belarusian Helsinki Committee*: Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/512/06), Canada (PC.DEL/518/06), Belarus
- (b) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Moldova on 31 May and 1 June 2006*: Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/514/06/Corr.1), Ukraine, United States of America (PC.DEL/523/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/531/06 OSCE+), Moldova (PC.DEL/525/06), Chairperson
- (c) *Dissolution of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro*: Chairperson, Serbia, Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/526/06), Armenia, Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/515/06)
- (d) *Proposal by Tajikistan regarding the further strengthening of its border management and security*: Tajikistan (PC.DEL/509/06 OSCE+), Austria-European Union (with the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/516/06), Canada (PC.DEL/522/06), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/527/06 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/517/06), Kazakhstan
- (e) *Third meeting of the State Commission on Development and Concretization of the Programme of Democratic Reforms in Kazakhstan, held in Astana, on 6 June 2006*: Kazakhstan

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE 2006 OSCE-THAILAND CONFERENCE  
ON CHALLENGES TO GLOBAL SECURITY: FROM  
POVERTY TO PANDEMIC

Chairperson of the Contact Group with the Asian Partners for Co-operation (Slovenia) (PC.DEL/529/06 OSCE+), Thailand (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/532/06), United States of America (PC.DEL/524/06), Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/528/06), Korea (Partner for Co-operation),  
Chairperson

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
PARTNERSHIP FUND (not adopted)

Chairperson

Agenda item 6: DECISION ON COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN  
BEINGS (not adopted)

Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE  
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office (CIO.GAL/99/06):* Chairperson
- (b) *Black Sea Forum for Dialogue and Partnership, held in Bucharest, on 4 and 5 June 2006:* Chairperson
- (c) *Meetings of the Chairman-in-Office with the Presidents of Armenia and Azerbaijan, on 4 and 5 June 2006:* Chairperson

Agenda item 8: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Third meeting of the UN High-Level Group for the Alliance of Civilizations, held in Dakar, on 27 and 28 May 2006:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/98/06 OSCE+)
- (b) *Black Sea Forum for Dialogue and Partnership, held in Bucharest, on 4 and 5 June 2006:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/98/06 OSCE+)
- (c) *Meeting with the President of Romania and other senior officials, on 4 and 5 June 2006:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/98/06 OSCE+)
- (d) *Conference on Peace and Security: Implementing UN Security Council resolution 1325, held in Wilton Park, United Kingdom, from 30 May to 2 June 2006:* Director of the Office of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/98/06 OSCE+)

- (e) *Workshop on legal co-operation in criminal matters related to terrorism, held in Yerevan, on 2 and 3 June 2006: Director of the Office of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/98/06 OSCE+)*

Agenda item 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Release of the 2006 Trafficking in Persons Report by the United States of America: United States of America (PC.DEL/530/06)*
- (b) *General elections in Sweden, to be held on 17 September 2006: Sweden*
- (c) *Training for judges on combating human trafficking, held in Kiev, from 21 to 26 May 2006: Ukraine*
- (d) *Final report of the ODIHR on the presidential elections in Belarus, held on 19 March 2006: Belarus*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 15 June 2006, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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**ANNOUNCEMENT  
BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

Prior to taking up our agenda for today, I would like to make a procedural announcement.

The Declaration of Independence adopted by the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia on 5 June 2006 has activated Article 60 of the Constitutional Charter of Serbia and Montenegro, according to which the international personality of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro, including its membership in the OSCE, is continued by the Republic of Serbia. A letter from the President of Serbia to the Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE on this matter has been circulated as document CIO.GAL/98/06 on 6 June 2006. This letter also confirms that the Permanent Mission of Serbia and Montenegro to the OSCE will continue to carry out its functions under the name of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE as of 5 June 2006.

Therefore, as Chairperson of the Permanent Council, I welcome in the Permanent Council the delegation of Serbia to the OSCE, which takes over the seat of the former Serbia and Montenegro.

This statement, as well as the letter from the President of Serbia to the Chairman-in-Office (see attachment), will be attached to the journal of this meeting, for the record.

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Attachment

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**LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF SERBIA TO  
THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE**

5 June 2006

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the membership of the State Union Serbia and Montenegro in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) is continued by the Republic of Serbia on the basis of Article 60 of the Constitutional Charter of Serbia and Montenegro, activated by the Declaration of Independence adopted by the National Assembly of Montenegro on 3 June 2006.

In the continuity of its good relations with the OSCE, the Permanent Mission of Serbia and Montenegro to the OSCE will continue to carry out its functions under the name of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE, as of today.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Boris Tadić

[signature]

President of the Republic of Serbia

H.E. Mr. Karel De Gucht  
OSCE Chairman-in-Office  
Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe  
Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Belgium