



630th Plenary Meeting
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**DECISION No. 744
RECOMMENDATION TO THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL
TO ADOPT OSCE RULES OF PROCEDURE**

The Permanent Council,

Reaffirming the value of the Rules of Procedure contained in Chapter 6 of the 1973 Final Recommendations of the Helsinki Consultations,

Wishing to adapt these Rules of Procedure to make them consistent with new realities and practices introduced since 1973, on the basis of the application of agreed documents,

Taking into account subsequent decisions of the Meetings of Heads of State or Government, the Ministerial Council, the Permanent Council and the Forum for Security Co-operation concerning procedural aspects of the work of the CSCE/OSCE, its main bodies and institutions,

Pursuant to Ljubljana Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/05 on strengthening the effectiveness of the OSCE and with a view to enhancing the transparency of the functioning of the Organization,

1. Requests the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairman-in-Office the draft rules of procedure of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe as contained in document MC.DD/2/06/Rev.4/Corr.1 of 24 October 2006;
2. Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of that document through a silence procedure with a period of silence expiring on Wednesday, 1 November 2006 at noon CET;
3. Decides to further review the rules of procedure of the OSCE and, whenever necessary, to recommend to the Ministerial Council amendments to those rules of procedure, including any such amendments that may result from the implementation of Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/05, from other decisions of OSCE decision-making bodies or from the establishment of additional rules of procedure, including a procedure for the selection of the OSCE Secretary General.