
Chairmanship: Spain**652nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 15 February 2007

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Closed: 12.55 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, expressed condolences on the death of Group Captain Pete Whitaker, Senior Military Adviser of the delegation of the United Kingdom to the OSCE.

Chairperson, United Kingdom

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE CONFLICT PREVENTION CENTRE

Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre (SEC.GAL/30/07 OSCE+), Germany-European Union (with 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, Montenegro 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/123/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/132/07 OSCE+), Armenia, United States of America (PC.DEL/128/07), Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Presidential elections in Turkmenistan, held on 11 February 2007, and the inauguration of the President of Turkmenistan on 14 February 2007:* Turkmenistan (PC.DEL/127/07 OSCE+), Germany-European Union

- (b) *Draft UN General Assembly resolution on protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development:* Armenia (PC.DEL/125/07), Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/129/07 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/130/07 OSCE+), Russian Federation (on behalf of the Co-Chairmen of the Minsk Group) (CIO.GAL/19/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/133/07 OSCE+)

Right of reply: Azerbaijan, Russian Federation

- (c) *Recent developments in Kyrgyzstan:* Kyrgyzstan (PC.DEL/122/07 OSCE+)
- (d) *Human rights situation in Uzbekistan:* Switzerland (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway) (PC.DEL/131/07 OSCE+), Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Germany-European Union
- (e) *Failure to resume negotiations on the settlement of the Transdniestrian conflict in the "five plus two" negotiation format:* Moldova (PC.DEL/124/07 OSCE+), Russian Federation
- (f) *Matters of protocol:* Liechtenstein (Dean of the Permanent Council), Sweden, Chairperson

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND
 ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2007
 OSCE-MONGOLIA CONFERENCE

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 781 (PC.DEC/781), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the 2007 OSCE-Mongolia Conference.

Mongolia (Partner for Co-operation), Chairperson

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE DATES OF THE 2007 OSCE
 POLITICAL CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC-PRIVATE
 PARTNERSHIP IN COUNTERING TERRORISM

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 782 (PC.DEC/782), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the dates of the 2007 OSCE Political Conference on Public-Private Partnership in Countering Terrorism.

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE TOPIC AND DATES OF THE HUMAN
 DIMENSION SEMINAR IN WARSAW

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 783 (PC.DEC/783), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the topic and dates of the Human Dimension Seminar in Warsaw.

Agenda item 6: DECISION ON THE DATES OF THE HUMAN
 DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Chairperson (Annex), Israel (Partner for Co-operation)

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 784 (PC.DEC/784), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the dates of the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting.

Belarus (interpretative statement, see attachment to the decision)

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

Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office: Chairperson

Agenda item 8: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Annual High-Level Tripartite Meeting between the Council of Europe, the OSCE, and the United Nations, and Partner Organizations, held in Vienna on 13 and 14 February 2007:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/32/07 OSCE+)
- (b) *Reissuance of vacancy notices for seconded posts in the OSCE:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/32/07 OSCE+)

Agenda item 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Tentative calendar of OSCE human dimension events (CIO.INF/12/07):* Chairperson
- (b) *Selection process for the appointment of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (CIO.GAL/18/07 Restr.):* Chairperson
- (c) *Parliamentary elections in Armenia, to be held on 12 May 2007:* Armenia (PC.DEL/126/07)
- (d) *Matters of procedure:* Romania, Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 20 February 2007, at 3 p.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRPERSON

With the adoption of the decision on the dates of the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting in 2007, I should like to make the following statement, which will be attached to the journal of the day.

I have taken note of the concern expressed by some delegations concerning the functioning of the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting. Let me recall that this question was dealt with last year in the follow-up to Ministerial Council Decision No. 17/05 on Strengthening the Effectiveness of the OSCE, adopted in Ljubljana on 6 December 2005, which, among other things, tasked the Permanent Council with considering ways to improve the planning and efficiency of OSCE conferences.

I would also remind the Council of the provision contained in PC Decision No. 476 of 23 May 2002, stipulating that the Permanent Council may, in light of the experience gained, decide to make additional adjustments to the arrangements set out in the annexes to the Decision, with a view to strengthening the effectiveness and attraction of the human dimension meetings further.

In this connection, I remain open to continued efforts to further pursue all aspects of strengthening the effectiveness of the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting, including an open and specific debate on this issue at the Human Dimension Committee.