

Chairmanship: Lithuania

873rd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 7 July 2011

Opened: 10.05 a.m.

Closed: 11.50 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. A. Krivas

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

Agenda item 1: FINANCIAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010 AND THE
REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Chairperson, OSCE External Auditor, Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro 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; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/714/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/711/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/722/11)

Agenda item 2: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chairperson of the Audit Committee, Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro 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; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/715/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/710/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/723/11), Chairperson

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Situation in Belarus*: Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; as well as the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/716/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/713/11), Canada, Belarus (PC.DEL/718/11)
- (b) *United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, on 26 June 2011*: Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro 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 Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/717/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/712/11), United States of America

Agenda item 4: DECISION ON THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2010 AND THE REPORT OF THE
EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1002 (PC.DEC/1002) on the Financial Report and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 and the Report of the External Auditor, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Statement by the Chairperson-in-Office on the need for continued efforts towards the settlement of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict*: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11)
- (b) *Visit to France by the Personal Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, also Focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions, the Personal Representative on Combating Anti-Semitism, and the Personal Representative on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims, from 27 to 30 June 2011*: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11)
- (c) *Statement by the Chairperson-in-Office on violence against citizens in Belarus*: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11)

- (d) *Visit by the Chairperson-in-Office to Podgorica, Belgrade and Pristina, from 4 to 8 July 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11)*
- (e) *Visit by OSCE permanent representatives to Moldova from 6 to 9 July 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11)*
- (f) *Report on the implementation of Permanent Council Decision No. 980 on Scales of Contributions for 2011 and Permanent Council Decision No. 981 on approval of the 2011 Unified Budget: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/138/11), Russian Federation, Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Turkey; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Albania; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/724/11)*

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Attendance by the Secretary General of the Twentieth Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, held in Belgrade from 6 to 10 July 2011: Director for Human Resources*
- (b) *Outstanding payments of assessed contributions to the 2011 Unified Budget: Director for Human Resources*
- (c) *Completion of the Ukrainian language version of the website of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine: Director for Human Resources*
- (d) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General: Director for Human Resources*

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Adoption of a security strategy by Spain on 24 June 2011: Spain (Annex)*
- (b) *Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on the Promotion of Pluralism in New Media, to be held in Vienna on 7 and 8 July 2011: Chairperson*
- (c) *Expert Meeting on Strengthening the Mediation-Support Capacity within the OSCE, to be held in Vienna on 12 July 2011: Chairperson*
- (d) *Organizational matters: Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 14 July 2011, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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Annex

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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SPAIN

Mr. Chairperson,

The delegation of Spain would like to inform the Permanent Council that on Friday, 24 June, the Spanish Council of Ministers approved the Spanish Security Strategy and has submitted it to Parliament.

Guaranteeing the security of Spain and its inhabitants is an essential responsibility of the Government and Public Administrations. In order to do so it has become necessary to update the Spanish framework for analysis and response in the face of the new dimensions of this security.

To this end and in fulfilment of the commitment made by the President of the Government to the Congress of Deputies in his investiture speech, the Government has approved the first Spanish Security Strategy.

It has been elaborated under the direction of Mr. Javier Solana by a commission and working group with representatives of the ministries concerned. It has been completed in consultation with international and national experts, representatives of political parties and members of civil society and the private sector so as to achieve the necessary consensus for a State work. It has a scope of one decade and will be reviewed every five years or when required by circumstances. Before its approval by the Council of Ministers and its submission to Parliament the political parties with their own parliamentary groups were informed of the contents.

The Strategy, which is available in Spanish and English on the Moncloa website (<http://www.lamoncloa.gob.es/home.htm>), consists of an Executive Summary and five chapters: (i) A necessary strategy, (ii) Spain's security in the world, (iii) Risk multipliers, (iv) Threats, risks and responses, and (v) An integrated institutional model.

Mr. Chairperson,

The main aims of the document are to analyse the threats and risks to our security, evaluate our response capabilities, identify strategic lines of action and update the

institutional mechanisms in this regard. Six basic principles that will guide our efforts with regard to security have been identified: (i) comprehensive approach to the different dimensions of security, (ii) co-ordination between Public Administrations and with society, (iii) efficient use of resources, (iv) anticipation and prevention of threats and risks, (v) resilience of systems and instruments, and (vi) responsible interdependence with our partners and allies.

The threats identified in the Spanish Security Strategy document are: (i) armed conflicts, (ii) terrorism, (iii) organized crime, (iv) economic and financial insecurity, (v) energy vulnerability, (vi) proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, (vii) cyberthreats, (viii) uncontrolled migratory flows, and (ix) emergencies and disasters.

Finally, it should be noted that the document approved by the Council of Ministers proposes the creation of a Spanish Security Council, which will have a Support Unit in the office of the President of the Government, an Integrated External Response Unit (URIE) and an Economic Intelligence System (SIE).

Through this Strategy, Spain joins a small group of countries that have implemented a national security strategy in the last few years. They include the United States of America, the United Kingdom, France (white book), the Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, Canada and the Russian Federation, all of them OSCE participating States, as well as the European Union itself.

Mr. Chairperson,

This information was also provided to the Forum for Security Co-operation at its plenary meeting on 6 July. We also believe that it is relevant to the issues included in the regular agenda of the Security Committee.

I would be grateful if this statement could be attached to the journal of the day.

Thank you.

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**DECISION No. 1002
FINANCIAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010 AND
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The Permanent Council,

Acting in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Financial Regulations, particularly Regulations 7.05 and 8.06(e), as approved by the Permanent Council on 27 June 1996 (DOC.PC/1/96), as well as Step 5(b) of PC Decision No. 553 on the OSCE's Unified Budget Process,

Reiterating the importance of full transparency and accountability in the functioning of the OSCE,

Taking note of the Financial Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 and the Report of the External Auditor (PC.ACMF/43/11 of 15 June 2011),

Expressing its gratitude to the External Auditor, the Accounting Chamber of Ukraine, for the work done,

Taking note of the Unmodified Audit Opinion on the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2010,

1. Accepts the Financial Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2010;
2. Requests the Secretary General to establish and submit to the Advisory Committee on Management and Finance not later than 31 October 2011 a work plan for follow-up to the recommendations of the External Auditor as reflected in its Report for 2010. Further requests the Secretary General to inform the Permanent Council through the Advisory Committee on Management and Finance about the implementation of this plan on a regular basis, taking into account guidance from the Advisory Committee on Management and Finance.