

Chairmanship: Lithuania

## 876th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 28 July 2011

Opened: 10.15 a.m.

Closed: 12.30 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador R. Norkus

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Permanent Council observed a minute of silence to honour the victims killed in the attacks in Oslo and on Utoya Island in Norway. The Chairperson, Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, 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 Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Armenia, Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (PC.DEL/800/11), Kazakhstan, the United States of America (PC.DEL/781/11), Belarus (PC.DEL/791/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/790/11), Canada (PC.DEL/787/11), Iceland (PC.DEL/793/11), San Marino (PC.DEL/794/11), the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Azerbaijan, the Holy See (PC.DEL/785/11), Ukraine, the Russian Federation and Mongolia (Partner for Co-operation) expressed their condolences to Norway. Norway (PC.DEL/786/11) expressed its gratitude for the condolences and expressions of solidarity.

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

Agenda item 1: ON THE DECISION ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 2011  
HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Chairperson (CIO.GAL/155/11 OSCE+), Belarus (PC.DEL/792/11), Russian Federation, 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 and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European

Economic Area; as well as Moldova, in alignment)(PC.DEL/799/11/Rev.1),  
United States of America (PC.DEL/798/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/789/11)

Agenda item 2:           REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a)     *Commemoration of the genocide of Roma and Sinti in August 1944:*  
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 Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/801/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/797/11), Holy See (PC.DEL/784/11)
  
- (b)     *Events provoked by Kosovo police special units at the crossing points in Northern Kosovo:* Serbia (PC.DEL/795/11), Poland-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Turkey; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/802/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/796/11), Albania (PC.DEL/783/11), Russian Federation, Chairperson

Agenda item 3:           REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE  
                                  CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a)     Expression of *condolences by the Chairperson-in-Office on the recent military plane crash in Morocco:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/154/11)
  
- (b)     *Visit by the Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office on Gender Issues, Ms. W. Patten, and the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Ms. M. Giammarinaro, to Kyrgyzstan from 26 to 29 July 2011:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/154/11)
  
- (c)     *Distribution of the report on the visit by OSCE permanent representatives to Moldova from 6 to 9 July 2011 (CIO.GAL/149/11/Rev.1):* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/154/11)
  
- (d)     *Note verbale received by the Chairmanship from the Permanent Representation of Tunisia, inviting the OSCE to observe the upcoming elections to the National Constituent Assembly, to be held on 23 October 2011:* Chairperson (CIO.GAL/154/11)

Agenda item 4:           REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

*Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/129/11 OSCE+):* Director for Human Resources

Agenda item 5:           ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a)   *Extraordinary parliamentary elections in Latvia, to be held on 17 September 2011:* Latvia
  
- (b)   *Farewell to the Permanent Representative of Norway to the OSCE, Ambassador G. Vik; the Permanent Representative of Hungary to the OSCE, Ambassador Gy. Molnar; and the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the OSCE, Ambassador A. Azimov:* Chairperson, Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), Norway (PC.DEL/788/11), Hungary, Russian Federation

4.    Next meeting:

Friday, 29 July 2011, at 11 a.m., in the Neuer Saal