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## H.E. MS. SABINE MONAUNI, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ENVIRONMENT, AND CULTURE OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN, AT THE THIRTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Vienna, 4 December 2025

Madam Chairperson, Dear colleagues,

First of all, I should like to express my sincere gratitude to Finland for its principled and committed leadership of our Organization in this Helsinki+50 year. Our thanks go likewise to the Finnish-Austrian tandem for organizing this Ministerial Council meeting and for their hospitality here in Vienna.

Fifty years after the signing of the Helsinki Final Act, it has become clear that the basic principles upon which we all agreed back then have lost none of their relevance. The main reason for this is the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, which has now been going on for almost four years and which Liechtenstein continues to condemn in the strongest possible terms. This is especially true when it comes to the unacceptable humanitarian consequences of this war. We shall continue – also at the OSCE – our support for Ukraine and our commitment to the issue of accountability. Furthermore, we are committed to making an active and lasting contribution to reconstruction in Ukraine.

We are in favour of a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in Ukraine based on the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and international law. For a peace plan to be successful, it must be supported by Ukraine and also by Europe.

Madam Chairperson,

Liechtenstein attaches the utmost importance to the work within the framework of the Helsinki+50 process. We recognize Finland's great dedication and we will also support the 2026 Swiss Chairmanship in pursuing this issue further.

The functionality of the OSCE as a unique multilateral platform for dialogue on European security issues remains a major concern for Liechtenstein.

It is therefore our collective responsibility to also ensure the financial basis for an OSCE that is able to do its job. Adjustments aimed at efficiency certainly make sense in this regard, and we support them. However, it is important to avoid the "destructive downsizing" of our Organization.

The OSCE's practical work – whether in the field or on the part of its independent institutions – continues to represent an important added value, especially in the area of conflict prevention. This applies particularly to current challenges such as strengthening democratic resilience and dealing with hybrid threats, for example disinformation or cyberattacks.

With its comprehensive concept of security, the OSCE also serves as a source of inspiration for our national deliberations on the subject of security. We have therefore also used the Helsinki anniversary to raise awareness of the issue of security among Liechtenstein's population. Against this backdrop, a Helsinki+50 public event was held in Liechtenstein in November. In addition, commemorative stamps on this theme were issued in Liechtenstein.

## Madam Chairperson,

Given the especially important role that the country holding the Chairmanship plays in the OSCE, we hope that agreement can be reached as soon as possible on the Chairmanship for 2027. In closing, I should like to wish Switzerland all the best for its Chairmanship next year and assure it of Liechtenstein's full support.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.