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United States Mission to the OSCE
U.S. Statement for the
Forum for Security Co-operation:
General Statement

Thank you, dear Alexander, and thank you Madam Chair, Foreign Minister Maka Botchorishvili.

On behalf of the United States, it is my pleasure to welcome Georgia as the new Chair of the Forum for Security Co-operation. I look forward to a productive, results-driven trimester under your leadership.

With the adoption of a Unified Budget, the OSCE has demonstrated that it can reform and modernize, even in times of crisis. A more effective OSCE is better equipped to achieve its priorities of preventing conflict and promoting security cooperation. With the goal of peace and security as our compass, the United States will continue to lead efforts to adapt and modernize the OSCE by refocusing its work on the core mandates and impact in the field. We look forward to engaging all participating States as we work together to shape the organization to further security in Europe.

Madam Chair,

The OSCE and this forum are instrumental in creating opportunities for resilient peace in the region, and we have important work ahead. Ending the Russia-

Ukraine war remains a top priority for President Trump. We must also acknowledge that the battlefield has evolved. The fighting we see daily in Ukraine demonstrates how new technologies—including drones, artificial intelligence, and cyber capabilities—are fundamentally changing how wars are fought. In this forum, we must understand how these new technologies are transforming our collective security landscape and how to promote stability as they are integrated into our armed forces. Our understanding of this evolving security environment is essential for creating resilient peace in the region, and this organization must be prepared to support such a peace when that moment arrives.

The Vienna Document provides an adaptable framework for this challenge. It remains an important arrangement for risk reduction, and all participating States should adhere to their Vienna Document commitments. In line with our push to end the Russia–Ukraine war, the FSC should begin to consider how to better manage risks posed by emerging technologies and how modernizing the OSCE’s tools and mechanisms can address today’s risks while creating conditions for lasting peace.

Chair,

President Trump also remains focused on maintaining and promoting U.S.-led peace initiatives in the South Caucasus, and the Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity will bring security, stability, and prosperity to the region. I would like to acknowledge and congratulate Armenia and Azerbaijan as they move steadily forward, advancing peace and cooperation. The United States supports this process and revitalization of the region.

Madam Chair,

We look forward to working with you and your delegation this trimester to advance these priorities. Thank you, Madam Chair.