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1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 26 May 2011

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1.10 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 4 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador R. Norkus

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: PRESENTATION OF THE 2012 PROGRAMME OUTLINE BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Secretary General (SEC.GAL/91/11 OSCE+), Hungary-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; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/477/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/472/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/485/11), Belarus (PC.DEL/489/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/483/11), Norway (PC.DEL/473/11), Canada, Chairperson

Agenda item 2: OSCE CENTRE IN BISHKEK

Head of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek (PC.FR/13/11 OSCE+), Hungary-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; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/476/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/471/11),

Russian Federation (PC.DEL/484/11), Switzerland (PC.DEL/482/11), Turkey, Kyrgyzstan, Chairperson

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) Freedom of expression on the Internet in the OSCE area: United States of America (PC.DEL/469/11), Turkey, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Belarus
- (b) The cases of Mr. M. Khodorkovskii and Mr. P. Lebedev in the Russian Federation: Hungary-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Albania; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, in alignment) (PC.DEL/479/11), United States of America (PC.DEL/470/11), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/486/11), Belarus
- (c) The rule of law in Sweden and the United States of America: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/487/11), Belarus, Sweden, United States of America (PC.DEL/474/11)
- (d) Joint statement on Albania by the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Catherine Ashton, and the European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, Štefan Füle, 25 May 2011: Hungary-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 Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/478/11), Albania (PC.DEL/491/11)
- (e) *Public discourse related to European Muslim and Romani communities*: United States of America (PC.DEL/475/11)
- (f) Shooting Incident close to the South Ossetian Administrative Boundary Line: Hungary-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 Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/480/11), Georgia, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/488/11), United States of America, Chairperson (CIO.GAL/102/11)
- (g) Arrest of Ratko Mladić: Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) Attendance of the Deputy Foreign Minister of Lithuania, H.E. Evaldas Ignatavicius, at the 2011 OSCE-Mongolia Conference on Enhancing OSCE Co-operation with the Asian Partners in Addressing Common Challenges through a Comprehensive Approach to Security, held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, from 23 to 24 May 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/101/11)
- (b) Conference on Safety of Journalists in the OSCE Region, to be held in Vilnius on 7 and 8 June 2011: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/101/11)
- (c) Selection process for the position of Secretary General: Chairperson (CIO.GAL/101/11), Russian Federation

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/92/11 OSCE+): Director of the Office of the Secretary General

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Roundtable discussion entitled Challenges to Peace, Co-operation and Development: Priorities for Kazakhstan's Chairmanship of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, to be held in Vienna on 31 May 2011: Kazakhstan
- (b) Chairmanship Workshop on Economic and Environmental Activities as Confidence Building Measures, to be held in Vienna on 30 May 2011: Chairperson
- (c) Special meetings of the Permanent Council to be held on 9 June 2011, and security restrictions related to the meeting of the World Economic Forum to be held in Vienna on 8 and 9 June 2011: Chairperson, Armenia

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 2 June 2011, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal