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1. Date: Thursday, 5 September 2013

Opened: 10.05 a.m. Closed: 1.05 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador I. Prokopchuk

The Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, welcomed the new Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the OSCE, Ambassador Vladimir Galuska; the new Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the OSCE, Ambassador Desirée Kopmels; the new Permanent Representative of Denmark to the OSCE, Ambassador Liselotte Kjærsgaard Plesner; the new Permanent Representative of Iceland to the OSCE, Ambassador Audunn Atlason; the new Permanent Representative of Ireland to the OSCE, Ambassador Philip McDonagh; the new Permanent Representative of Canada to the OSCE, Ambassador Isabelle Poupart; the new Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE, Ambassador Christian Strohal; and the new Permanent Representative of Finland to the OSCE, Ambassador Katja Pehrman.

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

Agenda item 1: OSCE MISSION IN KOSOVO

Head of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo (PC.FR/16/13 OSCE+), Lithuania-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; and the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina, in alignment) (PC.DEL/746/13), United States of America (PC.DEL/742/13), Russian Federation, Switzerland (PC.DEL/753/13 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/749/13 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/745/13), Albania (PC.DEL/750/13 OSCE+), Serbia (PC.DEL/751/13 OSCE+), Chairperson

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Agenda item 2: REPORT OF THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE

OSCE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE FOR ARTICLE IV OF

ANNEX 1-B OF THE DAYTON PEACE ACCORDS,

MAJOR GENERAL M. TORRES

Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office for Article IV of Annex 1-B of the Dayton Peace Accords (CIO.GAL/108/13 OSCE+), Lithuania-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Iceland; 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 Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/747/13), United States of America (PC.DEL/743/13), Russian Federation, Switzerland (PC.DEL/754/13/Rev.1 OSCE+), Serbia (also on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Montenegro) (PC.DEL/756/13 OSCE+), Chairperson

Agenda item 3: PRESENTATIONS BY THE CHAIRPERSONS OF THE

SECURITY COMMITTEE; THE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE; AND THE HUMAN

DIMENSION COMMITTEE

Chairperson of the Security Committee (PC.DEL/741/13 OSCE+), Chairperson of the Economic and Environmental Committee, Chairperson of the Human Dimension Committee (PC.DEL/752/13 OSCE+), Lithuania-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Georgia and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/748/13), United States of America (PC.DEL/744/13), Russian Federation, Switzerland (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mongolia and Norway) (PC.DEL/755/13 OSCE+), Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

None

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE

CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

Concluding meeting of the 21st Economic and Environmental Forum on "Increasing stability and security: Improving the environmental footprint of energy-related activities in the OSCE region", to be held in Prague from 11 to 13 September 2013 (CIO.GAL/124/13): Chairperson

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

(a) Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the OSCE and the Government of Uzbekistan on the Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan on 4 September 2013: Secretary General

- (b) Annual regional Heads of Mission meeting for the field operations in the Balkans, held in Tbilisi on 3 and 4 September 2013: Secretary General
- (c) Visit of the Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre to Baku: Secretary General
- (d) Gallery of portraits of Chairpersons of the Permanent Council: Secretary General

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Farewell to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the OSCE, Ambassador I. Kelly: Chairperson, Dean of the Permanent Council (Liechtenstein), United States of America (PC.DEL/757/13)
- (b) Regional elections to be held in Slovakia on 9 November 2013: Slovakia
- (c) High-Level International Conference on "Energy Security and Sustainability the OSCE Perspective", to be held in Ashgabat on 17 and 18 October 2013: Chairperson
- (d) Human Dimension Implementation Meeting, to be held in Warsaw from 23 September to 4 October 2013: Chairperson
- (e) Meeting of the open-ended Informal Working Group on Strengthening the Legal Framework of the OSCE, to be held on 17 September 2013: Chairperson
- (f) Meeting of the open-ended Informal Working Group on the Scales of Contributions, to be held on 12 September 2013: Chairperson
- (g) Meeting of the open-ended Informal Working Group on the Review of Human Dimension Events, to be held in September 2013: Chairperson
- (h) 2013 OSCE Counter-Terrorism Conference on "Priority issues for international co-operation in the fight against terrorism", to be held in Kyiv on 10 and 11 October 2013: Chairperson

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 19 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal