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PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN NORWAY

As delivered by Ambassador Guttorm Vik to the Permanent Council, Vienna 4 June 2009

Madam Chairperson,

I would like to inform the members of the Permanent Council that Norway will hold regular elections to the Parliament – Stortinget – and to the Sami Parliament on 14 September 2009.

The OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights has been duly informed and an invitation has already been extended to ODIHR to observe the elections in accordance with the Copenhagen Commitments of the OSCE and other election-related commitments.

This invitation is hereby also extended to the Parliamentary Assembly and to individual participating states who may wish to observe the elections.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.