



**73rd JOINT MEETING OF THE  
FORUM FOR SECURITY CO-OPERATION  
AND THE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

1. Date: Wednesday, 20 March 2019  
  
Opened: 10.05 a.m.  
Closed: 12.25 p.m.
  
2. Chairperson: Ambassador C. Wild (FSC) (Switzerland)  
Ambassador R. Boháč (PC) (Slovakia)

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson (PC), on behalf of the Permanent Council and Forum for Security Co-operation, extended condolences to the families of all nationals of OSCE participating States who were killed in the attacks on two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, on 15 March 2019, and expressed sympathy for the injured.

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE ON SECURITY SECTOR GOVERNANCE AND REFORM (SSG/R) IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OSCE: PERSPECTIVES AND EXAMPLES

- *Presentation by Ambassador M. Jenča, Assistant Secretary-General for Europe, Central Asia and the Americas, Departments for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations, United Nations*
- *Presentation by the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan*
- *Presentation by the OSCE Secretary General*

Chairperson (PC), Chairperson (FSC), Mr. M. Jenča, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan (FSC-PC.FR/1/19 OSCE+), OSCE Secretary General, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Armenia, United States of America (FSC-PC.DEL/12/19), Romania-European Union (with the

candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia and Moldova, in alignment) (FSC-PC.DEL/14/19), Canada, Italy, Norway, Azerbaijan, Switzerland (FSC-PC.DEL/11/19 OSCE+), Georgia (FSC-PC.DEL/13/19 OSCE+), OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, FSC Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security (Romania), Cyprus

Agenda item 2: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Evaluation visit and specified area inspection in Serbia, conducted by Finland from 18 to 22 February 2019: Serbia (Annex 1), Finland (Annex 2)*
- (b) *Terrorist attacks on two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, on 15 March 2019: Turkey, Netherlands*
- (c) *Appeal to support the military advisers of OSCE delegations participating in the annual Vienna City Marathon, to be held on 7 April 2019, through a charity raffle for the Make-A-Wish Foundation: United Kingdom, Chairperson (PC)*

4. Next meeting:

To be announced



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## **STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA**

Mr. Chairperson,  
Excellencies,  
Ladies and gentlemen,

In the period from 18 to 22 February 2019, in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Document 2011, a Finnish evaluation/inspection team, with a guest inspector from Hungary, conducted an evaluation visit to the 1st Army Brigade of the Serbian Armed Forces and made a specified area inspection in the Republic of Serbia.

On 5 March 2019, Finland provided all OSCE participating States with the CBM/FI/19/0014/F38/O format (Evaluation Visit Report) and the CBM/FI/19/0015/F35/O format (Specified Area Inspection Report), through the OSCE Communications Network.

In the said formats, Finland concluded that both activities were conducted in line with and in the spirit of Vienna Document 2011 and that all questions were properly answered and all ambiguities clarified. Furthermore, they praised the professional and cordial attitude of the escort team and the generous hospitality they received in the Republic of Serbia.

In particular, they expressed gratitude to the Republic of Serbia for the openness and transparency they experienced throughout the entire activity.

In both report formats, however, in spite of the above-mentioned positive assessment, when describing the tasks performed by the units of the Serbian Armed Forces, Finland used the expression, I quote, “border/boundary between Serbia and Kosovo”.

In presentations given during the briefings in the units and in answers to questions raised, by contrast, speakers used the term “Administrative line towards the Autonomous Province of Kosovo and Metohija”.

Kosovo and Metohija is an autonomous province of the Republic of Serbia, under the interim administration of the United Nations, subject to the legally binding UN Security Council resolution 1244 (1999).

It is absolutely unacceptable to misuse the above-mentioned OSCE notification formats in such a manner as to affirm the illegal, unilaterally declared independence of

so-called “Kosovo” while UN Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) is still in effect, guaranteeing the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Serbia.

In addition, we would like to recall that the OSCE has proclaimed its position of neutrality with respect to the Autonomous Province of Kosovo and Metohija. Compliance with and implementation of the Vienna Document 2011 must be in line with UN Security Council resolution 1244 (1999), and the openness and transparency of the Republic of Serbia and the Vienna Document 2011 must not be misused.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson, I kindly request that this statement be attached to the journal of the day.



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## **STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF FINLAND**

Mr. Chairperson,

I would like to use my right of reply to respond to the statement by Serbia.

We have taken note of the objection by Serbia related to Finland's evaluation visit report and specified area inspection report.

I would like to inform you that the term used in the reports "border/boundary between Serbia and Kosovo" is status neutral-language, which is used in the EU-facilitated dialogue between Belgrade and Pristina – and is also accepted by Serbia.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Serbian hosts for their excellent co-operation and professionalism during the evaluation visit, which was conducted in full accordance with the Vienna Document.

I would kindly ask the Chairperson to include this statement in the journal of the day.

Thank you.