



**PERMANENT DELEGATION
OF NORWAY TO THE OSCE**

**STATEMENT ON THE ABDUCTION BY RUSSIAN FEDERATION
OF AN ESTONIAN POLICE OFFICER**

As delivered by Ambassador Robert Kvile
to the Permanent Council,
Vienna, 5 March 2015

Mr Chairman,

We share the concerns expressed by Latvia on behalf of the European Union, and by other speakers before me, about the continued detention of the Estonian police officer Mr Eston Kohver. He has been held for six months since he was abducted from Estonian territory.

Mr Chairman,

Mr Kohver has the right to appropriate legal aid in connection with the court proceedings. Unfounded psychiatric examinations can never be justified and should not be practised on any detainees.

We join the calls on the Russian Federation to release Mr Eston Kohver and return him to Estonia without further delay.

Thank you, Mr Chairman.