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## EMBASSY OF GEORGIA TO THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA PERMANENT MISSION OF GEORGIA TO THE OSCE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

## Statement by Georgia in response to OSCE Parliamentary Assembly President Ranko Krivokapic

As delivered by the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the OSCE Ambassador Konstantin Zaldastanishvili at the 969<sup>th</sup> session of the OSCE Permanent Council

Vienna, October 31, 2013

Mr. Chairman,

I would like to join other speakers in warmly welcoming the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, H.E. Krivokapic and thank him for his comprehensive address.

Let me seize this opportunity and express my sincere gratitude to you personally Mr. Krivokapic and to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (PA) for the fruitful cooperation and support rendered to Georgia.

We highly value your personal and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly contribution to the international efforts aimed at providing comprehensive international monitoring of Georgia's resent Presidential elections.

Based on the statement of preliminary findings and conclusions of the international observation mission, today, I am pleased to report that 27<sup>th</sup> October Presidential elections in Georgia were conducted in full compliance with international standards.

I am pleased to note that the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in close co-operation with OSCE institutions contributes to further consolidation of democracy in Georgia.

In the end, I would like to once again thank the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, H.E. Krivokapic for addressing Permanent Council meeting today and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

Thank you.