
Chairmanship: Switzerland**1005th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 19 June 2014

Opened: 10 a.m.
Suspended: 1 p.m.
Resumed: 3.20 p.m.
Closed: 5.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador T. Greminger
Ms. A. Rauber-Saxer

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT BY THE OSCE REPRESENTATIVE ON
FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA

Chairperson, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media (FOM.GAL/8/14/Rev.1), Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/721/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/693/14), Russian Federation, Canada (PC.DEL/711/14 OSCE+), Turkey, Norway (PC.DEL/716/14), Belarus (PC.DEL/725/14 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/708/14 OSCE+), Turkmenistan, Albania (PC.DEL/703/14 OSCE+), Uzbekistan, Montenegro (PC.DEL/724/14 OSCE+), Italy, Serbia (PC.DEL/723/14 OSCE+), Holy See, Armenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/701/14 Restr.), Austria, France, Lithuania, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/704/14 OSCE+), Belgium

Agenda item 2: REPORT BY THE HEAD OF THE OSCE OFFICE IN
YEREVAN

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Office in Yerevan (PC.FR/18/14 OSCE+), Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the

countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/720/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/694/14), Russian Federation, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/705/14 OSCE+), Armenia

Agenda item 3: DECISION ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1125 (PC.DEC/1125/Corr.1) on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Russian Federation (interpretative statement, see attachment 1 to the decision), Ukraine (interpretative statement, see attachment 2 to the decision), Greece-European Union (interpretative statement, see attachment 3 to the decision), United States of America (interpretative statement, see attachment 4 to the decision), Canada (interpretative statement, see attachment 5 to the decision)

Agenda item 4: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Ongoing violations of OSCE principles and commitments by the Russian Federation and the situation in Ukraine:* Chairperson, Ukraine (PC.DEL/709/14 OSCE+), Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/722/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/695/14), Canada (PC.DEL/714/14 OSCE+), Turkey, Holy See (PC.DEL/710/14 OSCE+), Lithuania, Secretary General
- (b) *Situation in Ukraine and the continuing violations of the norms of international humanitarian law during the punitive operation in eastern Ukraine:* Russian Federation (PC.DEL/700/14), Ukraine, Germany, United States of America
- (c) *Intimidation of civil society and the media in Hungary:* United States of America (PC.DEL/696/14), Norway (PC.DEL/717/14), Hungary (PC.DEL/699/14 OSCE+)
- (d) *Law on “foreign agents” in the Russian Federation:* United States of America (PC.DEL/698/14), Russian Federation, Norway
- (e) *Second round of presidential elections in Afghanistan, held on 14 June 2014:* Greece-European Union (with the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Serbia; the

countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as San Marino and Ukraine , in alignment) (PC.DEL/719/14), United States of America (PC.DEL/697/14), Canada (PC.DEL/713/14 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/715/14), Afghanistan (Partner for Co-operation)

- (f) *World Day Against Child Labour, celebrated on 12 June 2014:*
Russian Federation

Agenda item 5: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the report of the Chairperson-in-Office (CIO.GAL/98/14):* Chairperson
- (b) *Conference on the OSCE and Human Rights Defenders: The Budapest Document 20 Years On, held in Bern on 10 and 11 June 2014:* Azerbaijan (Annex), Chairperson

Agenda item 6: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of a written report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/96/14 OSCE+):* Secretary General
- (b) *2014 OSCE-Japan Conference, held in Tokyo on 16 and 17 June 2014:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/96/14 OSCE+)
- (c) *Issuance of vacancy notices for seconded positions in the OSCE Mission in Kosovo and the OSCE Secretariat:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/96/14 OSCE+)
- (d) *Opening meeting of a project for building an OSCE youth network in Georgia, held in Tbilisi on 13 June 2014:* Secretary General (SEC.GAL/96/14 OSCE+)

Agenda item 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *2014 OSCE-Japan Conference, held in Tokyo on 16 and 17 June 2014:* Ukraine, Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/702/14 OSCE+), Chairperson
- (b) *Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict, held in London from 10 to 13 June 2014:* United Kingdom, Canada (PC.DEL/712/14 OSCE+), Australia (Partner for Co-operation), United States of America (PC.DEL/718/14)
- (c) *23rd Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, to be held in Baku from 28 June to 2 July 2014:* OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/706/14 OSCE+)

- (d) *Contribution of financial and human resources to the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine: Bulgaria*
- (e) *Cultural events hosted by the OSCE Chairmanship, to be held in Vienna on 24 and 25 June 2014: Chairperson*
- (f) *Organizational matters: Chairperson*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 3 July 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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Annex

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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF AZERBAIJAN

Mr. Chairperson,

On 10–11 June 2014, at the conference titled “OSCE and Human Right Defenders: the Budapest Document 20 years on” held in Bern, the Director of the ODIHR, instead of emphasizing and describing the importance of this occasion, attempted to lodge ungrounded accusations against the Government of Azerbaijan.

Opening remarks delivered by the Director of ODIHR at the event organized jointly with the Swiss Chairmanship were dedicated mainly to the case of Mr. Anar Mammadli, as if the event was not about the Budapest Document, but on Azerbaijan.

Our delegation expresses its deep regret that Ambassador Lenarčič once again demonstrated a lack of professional approach in his capacity of the Director of the ODIHR and rather opted for pursuing his personal interests in an emotional manner.

Such a position taken by the Director of the ODIHR against the OSCE participating State, which lacks objectivity, not corresponding to the title of session and attempting to portray an individual case as a main subject of the event, undermines limited trust remaining to him.

Mr. Chairperson,

We would not have raised this issue at the meeting of the Permanent Council, if it is not for the second time during this month that we officially register our concerns to the Swiss Chairmanship over the actions of Ambassador Lenarčič. While duly respecting the autonomy of this institution, our delegation again requests the Chairmanship to ensure that the ODIHR Director acts in accordance with his mandate in an impartial manner.

Our delegation hopes to receive a response from the Swiss Chairmanship on the course of actions they plan to take to address an increasing concern by the OSCE participating State.

Actions of the Director of the ODIHR raise a reasonable question as to how to ensure that a proper system of checks and balances in the OSCE will allow OSCE participating States, which delegated an authority to OSCE official, to timely and effectively prevent an

abuse of mandate. Our delegation expects the Chairmanship to substantively address this issue in the course of “Helsinki+40” process.

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

Thank you.



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**DECISION No. 1125
EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE
OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE**

The Permanent Council,

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Ukraine and the OSCE of 13 July 1999,

Decides to extend the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine until 31 December 2014.

1 Reissued due to technical reasons.

PC.DEC/1125/Corr.1
19 June 2014
Attachment 1

ENGLISH
Original: RUSSIAN

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

“In joining the consensus on the Permanent Council decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, we take the position that it should correspond to the new political and legal situation in the region stemming from the admission of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol to the Russian Federation. Consequently, the Co-ordinator’s activities, including project activities, do not cover these constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

I request that this statement be appended to the Permanent Council decision adopted, and included in the journal of the day.”

PC.DEC/1125/Corr.1
19 June 2014
Attachment 2

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Ukraine:

“In connection with today’s PC decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, and the statement of the delegation of the Russian Federation, the delegation of Ukraine emphasizes the following. The Autonomous Republic of Crimea, which is an integral part of Ukraine, was illegally occupied and annexed by the Russian Federation in violation of the OSCE principles and commitments and norms of international law. Ukraine stresses that the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine extends to the entire territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, including the Autonomous Republic of Crimea.”

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the European Union:

“In connection with the PC decision on the extension of the mandate of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, and the statement just issued by the delegation of the Russian Federation, the European Union reiterates our strong condemnation of the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol to the Russian Federation and we will not recognize it.”

The candidate country Montenegro¹, the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Albania, and the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Georgia and San Marino align themselves with this statement.

1 Montenegro continues to be part of the Stabilisation and Association Process.

PC.DEC/1125/Corr.1
19 June 2014
Attachment 4

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the United States of America:

“Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. We would like to reflect the comments already made by the distinguished representatives of the delegations of the Ukraine and the European Union, and associate the United States with those statements, and we ask that this be reflected in the journal of the day.”

PC.DEC/1125/Corr.1
19 June 2014
Attachment 5

Original: ENGLISH

**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Canada:

“Mr. Chairperson,

Canada joins consensus on this PC decision and, in doing so, reaffirms its commitment to Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity within its internationally-recognized borders. We reiterate that we will not recognize the Russian annexation of Crimea.

Mr. Chairperson, we request that this statement be reflected in the journal of the day.

Thank you.”