

STATEMENT
by the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova,
at the Closing Session of the 17th OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting
(Athens, 2 December 2009)

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Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The Moldovan Delegation shares the position expressed in the Statement delivered by Sweden on behalf of the European Union.

We also join other delegations in expressing our regret that this Ministerial Council has not been able to adopt the Ministerial Declaration and the Statement on Moldova. Our delegation has worked in a constructive and result-oriented manner to reach consensus on these important documents. I express my hope that through a continued engagement of all participating States we will be able to agree on steps to inspire confidence and energize negotiations on settlement of the conflicts in the OSCE area, the Transnistrian conflict in particular.

Mr. Chairman, I would also like to inform distinguished delegations that Moldova aligns itself with the statement delivered by Denmark on behalf of a group of states with regard to the CFE Treaty.

I ask that this statement be attached to the Journal of the day.

Thank you.