

Netherlands Chairmanship

445th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 3 April 2003

Opened: 10 a.m.
Closed: 1.30 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. J. de Visser
Mr. K. Vosskübler

3. Subjects discussed - Statements - Decisions:

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Launching of Operation Concordia, led by the European Union, in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia on 31 March 2003:* Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/325/03), United States of America (PC.DEL/343/03), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Russian Federation, Chairperson
- (b) *Accession of Serbia and Montenegro to the Council of Europe:* Malta (PC.DEL/333/03), Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/326/03), United States of America (PC.DEL/344/03), Switzerland, Croatia (PC.DEL/320/03), Russian Federation, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Belarus, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro, Chairperson
- (c) *Recent developments in Turkmenistan:* Turkmenistan (PC.DEL/322/03 Restr.), United States of America (PC.DEL/346/03), Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated

countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/324/03),
Canada, Russian Federation, Turkey, Chairperson

- (d) *Visit of a delegation of ambassadors of OSCE participating States to Georgia from 28 March to 1 April 2003*: Chairperson, Georgia, Canada
- (e) *Sixth Summit of Heads of State or Government of the South-East European Cooperation Process*: Serbia and Montenegro

Agenda item 2: ADDRESS BY THE HEAD OF DELEGATION OF THE
EUROPEAN COMMISSION IN BOSNIA AND
HERZEGOVINA

Head of Delegation of the European Commission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/317/03), Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.FR/10/03/Rev.1 Restr.), Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/327/03), Russian Federation, United States of America (PC.DEL/341/03), Switzerland, Croatia (PC.DEL/321/03), Norway, Canada, Serbia and Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina (PC.DEL/319/03), Chairperson

Agenda item 3: OSCE MISSION TO BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Discussion under agenda item 2

Agenda item 4: OSCE CENTRE IN TASHKENT

Head of the OSCE Centre in Tashkent (PC.FR/8/03 Restr.), Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/328/03), Norway (PC.DEL/331/03), United States of America (PC.DEL/345/03), Switzerland, Russian Federation, Japan (Partner for Co-operation) (PC.DEL/336/03), Canada, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Chairperson

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE GRANTING OF THE STATUS OF
PARTNER FOR CO-OPERATION TO AFGHANISTAN

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 537 (PC.DEC/537), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the granting of the status of Partner for Co-operation to Afghanistan.

United States of America (PC.DEL/340/03), Chairperson, Tajikistan,
Greece-European Union (with the acceding countries Cyprus, Czech Republic,

Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in alignment) (PC.DEL/329/03), Norway (PC.DEL/332/03), Russian Federation, Canada

Agenda item 6: DECISION ON THE MAIN SUBJECTS AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES FOR THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC FORUM, 20 TO 23 MAY 2003

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 538 (PC.DEC/538), the text of which is appended to this Journal, on the main subjects and organizational modalities for the Eleventh Meeting of the Economic Forum, 20 to 23 May 2003.

Agenda item 7: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Moldova on 2 April 2003:* Chairperson, Moldova
- (b) *Visit of the Personal Envoy of the Chairman-in-Office for Central Asia to Tajikistan from 22 to 24 March 2003:* Chairperson

Agenda item 8: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of a report of the Secretary General: Chairperson

Agenda item 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Release of the United States of America's Annual Country Reports for 2002 on Human Rights Practices:* United States of America (PC.DEL/342/03), Chairperson
- (b) *Meeting of the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation, to be held on 3 April 2003:* Chairperson

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 8 April 2003, at 9.30 a.m., in the Neuer Saal