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DECISION No. 624 PLACE, DATE AND THEME FOR THE THIRTEENTH MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC FORUM

The Permanent Council,

Taking into account the Chairperson's Summary of the Twelfth Meeting of the Economic Forum,

Decides that the Thirteenth Meeting of the Economic Forum will take place in Prague within the period from 23 to 27 May 2005. The theme of the Forum will be "Demographic Trends, Migration and Integrating Persons belonging to National Minorities: Ensuring Security and Sustainable Development in the OSCE Area".

Discussions of the Forum should benefit from input provided by other OSCE bodies and relevant meetings, including seminars, and deliberations in various international organizations.

A possible special session and its theme will be decided later.

Moreover, taking into account its tasks, the Economic Forum will review the implementation of commitments in the economic and environmental dimension.

The organizational modalities will be further elaborated and submitted to the Permanent Council for adoption in due time.

The Economic and Environmental Subcommittee of the Permanent Council is tasked to continue its work on further improvement of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Economic Forum and should report on its progress in this regard to the Permanent Council before the end of 2004.

Furthermore, the Permanent Council will examine the issue of the venue of the Economic Forum in 2006, with a view to making a recommendation to the Twelfth Meeting of the Ministerial Council.