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UNDER CURRENT ISSUES AT THE 755th MEETING OF THE
OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL ON THE EU STATEMENT ON
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA** ENGLISH only

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Madame Chairperson,

Highly considering the EU Statement on Bosnia and Herzegovina, delivered by the distinguished Ambassador Pochuh, I still highly appreciate your readiness to address few more remarks to your attention.

Increased and more profound in terms of full and overall responsibilities, local ownership as an introductory step into stage leading to prospective candidacy for membership in the EU we can mutually esteem as an essential and crucial goal of our valuable partnership with the EU.

Strong commitment and understanding of the importance of successful implementation of the Interim Agreement, keeps the stabilization and association process on the highest position among priorities on Bosnia and Herzegovina's agenda, notably dedicated to complex reforms to be taken in order to maintain and advance high degree of a common stability as an ambiance for economic and social reforms to be taken.

Next mode of operating of the Office of the High Representative could be seen as an expectation that its smooth transformation into the Office of the EU Special

Representative will be conducted and completed together with local institutions as partnership with equally distributed tasks and efforts supportive to the European integrations.

An expectation that demands and conditions to be met for Bosnia and Herzegovina's candidacy and prospective membership in the EU will be equalized in comparison with other candidates in the region is foreseen as well.



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Given commonly recognized and highly esteemed personal, professional and diplomatic abilities and experience of distinguished Ambassador Valentin Inzko, looking forward for joint success in respectively soon candidacy for membership in the EU, we wish him a very warm welcome and fruitful mission rather supporting than imposing our joint actions towards European prospective of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Thank you.