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**DECISION No. 997
PARTICIPATORY WORKSHOPS ON
ENVIRONMENT AND SECURITY ISSUES IN THE
SOUTHERN MEDITERRANEAN REGION**

The Permanent Council,

Further to the discussion in the framework of the Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation,

Taking note of the preliminary report on informal consultations with the Mediterranean Partners on priority areas for activities to be sponsored through the Partnership Fund circulated by Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/824/09),

Welcoming the proposal by Lithuania and Ireland, contained in PC.DEL/309/11/Rev.1, to use the OSCE Partnership Fund to finance activities related to participatory workshops on environment and security issues in the Southern Mediterranean region,

Recalling the Madrid Ministerial Declaration on the OSCE Partners for Co-operation (MC.DOC/1/07),

Recalling the Madrid Declaration on Environment and Security (MC.DOC/4/07),

Recalling Permanent Council Decision No. 812 on the establishment of a Partnership Fund,

Decides to authorize the use of the Partnership Fund, subject to the availability of sufficient contributions, to finance the proposed activities related to participatory workshops;

Encourages the participating States and the Partners for Co-operation to contribute to the Partnership Fund for this purpose.