



EMBASSY OF GEORGIA TO THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA  
PERMANENT MISSION OF GEORGIA TO THE OSCE AND  
OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

**Statement as delivered by the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the OSCE H.E.  
Konstantin Zaldastanishvili on the developments in Ukraine  
at the 985<sup>th</sup> meeting of the OSCE Permanent Council  
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Mr. Chairman,

The Georgian side welcomes the steps which have been taken towards normalizing the complex processes currently taking place in Ukraine. We hope that the country's political crisis will be resolved, that all effective reforms will be carried out in line with the Ukrainian people's legitimate democratic and European aspirations, and that the country will assume its dignified position in the bigger European family - all based upon full respect for its sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as for the rule of law, through the firm will and efforts of the Ukrainian people, and with the active support of the international community.

The Georgian side also wishes to express solidarity with the Ukrainian people, conveying its condolences to the families of those who were killed or injured, and reaffirms its readiness to continue the successful co-operation with Ukraine, as with a traditionally friendly country, in both bilateral as well as multilateral formats, including within the framework of the EU Eastern Partnership Initiative.

Thank you.