
Chairmanship: Czech Republic**929th PLENARY MEETING OF THE FORUM**

1. Date: Wednesday, 30 October 2019

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 12.55 p.m.
Resumed: 3.05 p.m.
Closed: 3.50 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Šrámek
Mr. D. Řezníček

3. Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:

Agenda item 1: SECURITY DIALOGUE: CONTRIBUTION OF OSCE
PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF
SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS AND STOCKS OF
CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION TO COMMON
INTENDED OUTCOMES

– *Presentation by Mr. A. McAslan, OSCE consultant*

– *Presentation by Mr. V. Chiveri, Head of the OSCE Programme Office in Dushanbe*

– *Presentation by Mr. R. Ernst, Deputy Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities*

– *Presentation by Mr. C. Prevelakis, Second Counsellor and Co-ordinator of the Regional Unit on Countering Organized Crime in South-Eastern Europe at the Embassy of France in Belgrade*

Chairperson, Mr. A. McAslan, Head of the OSCE Programme Office in Dushanbe, Deputy Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Mr. C. Prevelakis, Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country

Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/230/19), Switzerland, Slovakia, United States of America, Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, France, Poland (FSC.DEL/229/19 OSCE+), Azerbaijan, Serbia, Tajikistan, FSC Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Hungary), Chairperson of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (Latvia) (Annex)

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

- (a) *Agreement on Sub-Regional Arms Control in accordance with Article IV of Annex 1-B to the Dayton Agreement*: Serbia (also on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Montenegro), Germany
- (b) *Military exercise "Center-2019", conducted in the Russian Federation from 16 to 21 September 2019*: Russian Federation, Norway
- (c) *Situation in and around Ukraine*: Ukraine (FSC.DEL/233/19 OSCE+) (FSC.DEL/233/19/Add.1 OSCE+), Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova and San Marino, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/231/19), Russian Federation, United States of America, Canada

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

19th anniversary of the adoption of United Nations Security Council resolution 1325 on women, peace and security: Finland-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/232/19), Canada

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 6 November 2019, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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**STATEMENT BY
THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE INFORMAL GROUP OF
FRIENDS ON SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS AND
STOCKPILES OF CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION (LATVIA)**

Your Excellencies,
Dear colleagues,

I should like to make a few remarks in my capacity as the Chairperson of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (SCA).

First of all, I wish to commend the speakers for highlighting the wider contribution that OSCE practical assistance projects in the field of SALW and SCA make towards the achievement of common intended outcomes related to the enhancement of security and safety in the OSCE area. Cross- dimensional fertilization in co-ordinating and implementing practical measures on SALW and SCA is obvious. Further synergies could perhaps be achieved by focusing on shared norms and principles that are relevant to the OSCE's concept of comprehensive, co-operative, equal and indivisible security.

Dear colleagues,

I am pleased to provide you with some feedback on the Meeting on Reviewing and Updating the OSCE Best Practice Guides on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Conventional Ammunition", which was held in Vienna on 7 October 2019. The meeting was attended by 54 participants from 23 participating States and the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre, including subject-matter experts sent by their governments and delegates based in Vienna. It helped in further raising awareness of the OSCE Best Practice Guides (BPGs) on SALW and SCA and in refining the process for updating them. I have already shared with you, esteemed colleagues, my perception paper summarizing the discussions that took place at the meeting and its outcomes (document FSC.DEL/228/19 of 29 October 2019). This perception paper will serve as the basis for a future food-for-thought paper that will guide the OSCE's next steps in updating the BPGs on SALW and SCA.

Dear colleagues,

I look forward to working with you on drafting the aforementioned food-for-thought paper over the next few weeks.

I sincerely thank you for your attention.