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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS  
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**STATEMENT BY THE PERMANENT MISSION OF CYPRUS TO THE 595th  
MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE OSCE, 2 March 2006**

On behalf of the Delegation of Cyprus I would like to inform the Permanent Council that parliamentary elections are to be held in Cyprus on the 21 of May 2006.

On behalf of the Government of Cyprus, and in line with our Copenhagen commitments, we have invited the Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights to consider sending an observation mission to monitor Cyprus' election proceedings.

OSCE participating States wishing to observe these elections are requested to contact the OSCE Desk at the Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Thank you Mr. Chairman