

Chairmanship: Malta

1463rd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

1. Date: Thursday, 29 February 2024 (in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference)

Opened: 10.05 a.m.
Suspended: 1.10 p.m.
Resumed: 3 p.m.
Closed: 3.25 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador N. Meli Daudey
Ms. D. Borg

Chairperson, Russian Federation (PC.DEL/215/24)

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

Agenda item 1: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE

Chairperson, Ukraine, Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Monaco and San Marino, in alignment) (PC.DEL/240/24), United Kingdom, Canada (PC.DEL/216/24), United States of America (PC.DEL/218/24), Türkiye (PC.DEL/243/24 OSCE+), Albania (PC.DEL/217/24 OSCE+)

Agenda item 2: DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A DECISION ON THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 1479 (PC.DEC/1479) on the recommendation to adopt a decision on the time and place of the next

meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, the text of which is appended to this journal.

Agenda item 3: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Increasing military involvement of certain NATO member States in yet more confrontation in and around Ukraine*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/223/24), France, Poland (PC.DEL/232/24 OSCE+), Latvia (PC.DEL/239/24 OSCE+)
- (b) *The elections in Belarus and the deteriorating human rights situation in that country*: Norway (also on behalf of Albania, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and the United States of America) (PC.DEL/229/24), United States of America (PC.DEL/219/24), Belgium (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine) (PC.DEL/246/24 OSCE+), Lithuania
- (c) *Elections in Belarus held on 25 February 2024*: Belarus (PC.DEL/237/24 OSCE+), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/220/24), Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan
- (d) *The death of Mr. A. Navalny and the dire human rights situation in Russia*: Chairperson, Belgium-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, San Marino and the United Kingdom, in alignment) (PC.DEL/241/24), Lithuania (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and the United States of America) (PC.DEL/230/24 OSCE+), Norway (PC.DEL/228/24), United States of America (PC.DEL/226/24), United Kingdom, Canada (PC.DEL/224/24 OSCE+)
- (e) *The Western alliance's gross attempts to interfere in the internal affairs of Russia*: Russian Federation (PC.DEL/233/24/Corr.1), Belgium-European Union, Belarus

Agenda item 4: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Participation on 22 February 2024 of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, H.E. Mr. I. Borg, in the Twenty-Third Winter Meeting of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly: Chairperson*
- (b) *Remote participation of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, H.E. Mr. I. Borg, in the 1462nd (Reinforced) Plenary Meeting of the Permanent Council, held on 23 February 2024: Chairperson*

Agenda item 5: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Appeal for the release of a number of national members of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine being held in detention in non-government-controlled areas of Ukraine: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/20/24 OSCE+)*
- (b) *Participation of the Secretary General in the Third Antalya Diplomacy Forum, to be held from 1 to 3 March 2024: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/20/24 OSCE+)*
- (c) *Participation of the Secretary General in the Central Asian Environmental Forum, to be held in Ashgabat in March 2024: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/20/24 OSCE+)*
- (d) *Participation of the Secretary General in the Regional Meeting of Heads of OSCE Field Operations in Central Asia, to be held in Ashgabat on 5 and 6 March 2024: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/20/24 OSCE+)*

Agenda item 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Presidential and early parliamentary elections in North Macedonia, to be conducted, respectively, on 24 April and 8 May 2024: North Macedonia (PC.DEL/242/24 OSCE+)*
- (b) *Invocation of the OSCE Moscow Mechanism to address the arbitrary detention of Ukrainian civilians by the Russian Federation amidst human rights violations and the humanitarian impacts of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine: Luxembourg (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, the United Kingdom and the United States of America) (PC.DEL/235/24 OSCE+), Holy See (PC.DEL/234/24 OSCE+), Ukraine (PC.DEL/236/24), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/238/24 OSCE+), United Kingdom, Belarus*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 7 March 2024, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal and via video teleconference



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**DECISION No. 1479
RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A DECISION ON THE
TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE
OSCE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

The Permanent Council,

1. Requests the Chairperson of the Permanent Council to transmit to the Chairperson-in-Office the draft decision of the Ministerial Council on the time and place of the next meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council (MC.DD/1/24 of 22 February 2024);
2. Recommends to the Ministerial Council the adoption of this decision through a silence procedure with the period of silence expiring on 6 March 2024, at noon CET.