
Chairmanship: Spain**672nd PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 28 June 2007

Opened: 9.35 a.m.
Closed: 1.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma
Mr. A. Pérez Martínez

Prior to taking up the agenda, the Chairperson, on behalf of the Permanent Council, expressed condolences to Norway in connection with the deaths of two Norwegian military experts in Tajikistan. The Permanent Council then observed a minute of silence. Norway expressed its appreciation to the Permanent Council. Tajikistan expressed its condolences to Norway.

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

Agenda item 1: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

- (a) *Adoption by the European Council of a European Union strategy for a new partnership with Central Asia: Germany-European Union (PC.DEL/670/07)*
- (b) *Parliamentary elections in Kazakhstan, to be held on 18 August 2007: Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/684/07 OSCE+)*
- (c) *South-east European regional energy summit, held in Zagreb, on 24 June 2007: Croatia (also on behalf of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania and Serbia) (PC.DEL/667/07)*
- (d) *Initiative sponsored by Kyrgyzstan to have the United Nations General Assembly declare 20 February as an international day of social justice: Kyrgyzstan*

Agenda item 2: OSCE OFFICE IN BAKU

Chairperson, Head of the OSCE Office in Baku (PC.FR/15/07 OSCE+), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/672/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/668/07 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (PC.DEL/674/07), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/678/07 OSCE+)

Agenda item 3: REPORT BY THE OSCE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON NATIONAL MINORITIES

Chairperson, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM.GAL/1/07 OSCE+), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine in alignment) (PC.DEL/671/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/679/07 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/675/07), Canada, Ukraine (PC.DEL/687/07 OSCE+), Turkey (PC.DEL/682/07 OSCE+), OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Agenda item 4: REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Chairperson, Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR.GAL/54/07 OSCE+), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine in alignment) (PC.DEL/669/07), Canada, Armenia, United States of America (PC.DEL/676/07), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/677/07 OSCE+), Belarus, Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/683/07 OSCE+), Holy See (PC.DEL/680/07 OSCE+), Albania, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Agenda item 5: DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT THE OSCE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON NATIONAL MINORITIES

Chairperson, Netherlands

Decision: The Permanent Council adopted Decision No. 799 (PC.DEC/799), the text of which is appended to this journal, on the recommendation to appoint the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities.

Chairperson

Agenda item 6: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the written report on the activities of the Chairman-in-Office:* Chairperson
- (b) *Participation of the Chairman-in-Office in the Sixteenth Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:* Chairperson
- (c) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Ukraine on 5 July 2007:* Chairperson
- (d) *Visit of the Chairman-in-Office to Croatia on 6 July 2007:* Chairperson

Agenda item 7: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Announcement of the distribution of the report of the Secretary General: Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre

Agenda item 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Organizational matters:* Chairperson, Russian Federation
- (b) *Third meeting of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism, held in Astana on 11 and 12 June 2007:* Kazakhstan (PC.DEL/685/07 OSCE+)
- (c) *Parliamentary elections in Ukraine, to be held on 30 September 2007:* Ukraine (PC.DEL/686/07)
- (d) *Regional economic-environmental conference:* Uzbekistan
- (e) *Sixteenth Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, to be held in Kiev, from 5 to 9 July 2007:* OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 5 July 2007, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal