



## **United States Mission to the OSCE**

### **Response to the Swiss Chair's Second Unified Budget Proposal**

As delivered by Chargé d'Affaires, a.i., Kate Rebholz  
to the Permanent Council, Vienna  
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Colleagues,

The Chair's second budget proposal, issued on Monday, gives us a credible and workable landing zone. I urge all of you to support this approach so we can move swiftly toward consensus and adopt a budget.

This organization, as many of you have said time and again over the past five years, needs a new budget. The proposal before us reflects the difficult choices made across all executive structures to identify necessary budget reductions while positioning the OSCE to better address current and future security challenges. We thank the Chair, OSCE staff, and participating States for their hard work to land this budget and secure the organization's future.

At tomorrow's Advisory Committee for Management and Finance, it is essential that your delegations arrive with clear instructions that move us decidedly toward getting to yes.

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