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1. Date: Wednesday, 11 November 2026 (in the Ratsaal)

   Opened: 10 a.m.
   Closed: 11 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador N. Holland

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

   Agenda item 1: GENERAL STATEMENTS

   (a) *Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine*: Ukraine (FSC.DEL/423/26), Ireland-European Union (with Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/421/26), United Kingdom (FSC.DEL/420/26 OSCE+), Canada, United States of America (FSC.DEL/429/26), Norway (FSC.DEL/422/26)

   (b) *Special military operation to demilitarize and denazify Ukraine*: Russian Federation (FSC.DEL/425/26) (FSC.DEL/428/26), Ukraine (Annex 1), United Kingdom, Estonia

   Agenda item 2: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

   Military exercise "Immediate Response 2027": Serbia (Annex 2)

4. Next meeting:

   Wednesday, 18 November 2026, at 10 a.m., in the Ratsaal

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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF UKRAINE

Mr. Chairperson,

The cynicism is staggering. The country responsible for the largest war of aggression in Europe since the Second World War now accuses others of militarization.

Europe did not invade Russia. Russia invaded Ukraine.

Russia cannot "set neighbour's house on fire and then accuse the firefighters of escalating the situation".

Europe is strengthening its defences because of Russia's aggression, not the other way around.

If Moscow is so concerned about European security, it should start by ending its own war of aggression.

Another point I would like to mention:

Russia accuses Europe of militarization, yet its federal military spending far exceeds that of any European country except Ukraine, which is defending against Russian aggression. Military spending as a share of federal outlays rose from 24 per cent in 2022 to 38 per cent in the 2025 revised budget. The 2027 draft budget allocates 35 per cent of federal spending to a single chapter, "National Defense." These figures come from open sources.

Ukraine spends to defend its people and territory; Moscow is increasing spending to wage the war it started. Russian civilians pay the price: inflation-adjusted social spending in 2026 is only two-thirds of the 2020 level.

Is the State preparing to end the war or to continue and possibly expand it? The numbers speak for themselves.

I thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SERBIA

Mr. Chairperson,

At the outset, I should like to extend our sincere condolences to the delegations of Poland and Bulgaria in connection with the recent tragic events in their respective countries.

Esteemed colleagues,

Through the OSCE Communications Network, the United States of America has sent an F30 notification dated 10 November 2026 (CBM/US/26/0039/F30/O) to all OSCE participating States, announcing a series of multinational tactical exercises entitled "Sword 2027".

In the F30 notification transmitted by the United States, paragraph 3(3)(C) lists the so-called "Kosovo" as one of the States on whose territory the "Immediate Response 2027" exercise is to take place. Taking into account the fact that the so-called "Kosovo" is not an OSCE participating State, it is our position that it cannot be referred to as such in OSCE documents and Vienna Document notifications.

Kosovo and Metohija is an autonomous province of the Republic of Serbia and remains under the interim administration of the United Nations, subject to United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999).

It is absolutely unacceptable to misuse the above-mentioned Vienna Document notification format to affirm the illegal, unilaterally declared independence of the so-called "Kosovo" while the legally binding United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) continues to guarantee the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Serbia.

In addition, we should like to remind you that the OSCE proclaimed its neutrality regarding the future status of this southern Serbian province. Implementation of the Vienna Document 2011 on Confidence-and Security-Building Measures must be in line with United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999), and the principles of openness and transparency adhered to by the Republic of Serbia, and enshrined in the Vienna Document 2011, must not be misused.

I kindly request that this statement be attached to the journal of today's meeting.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.