
Chairmanship: Greece**747th PLENARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

1. Date: Thursday, 22 January 2009

Opened: 10.10 a.m.

Closed: 12.25 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. M. Marinaki

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

Agenda item 1: REPORT ON GEORGIA BY THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE, AMBASSADOR CHARALAMPOS CHRISTOPOULOS

Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office, Georgia (PC.DEL/34/09), Czech Republic-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/15/09), Canada, Norway (PC.DEL/33/09), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/30/09 OSCE+) (PC.DEL/31/09 OSCE+), United States of America (PC.DEL/20/09), Chairperson

Agenda item 2: REVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

(a) *Freedom of the media in Azerbaijan:* Czech Republic-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 and Montenegro; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (PC.DEL/16/09), Azerbaijan (PC.DEL/28/09 OSCE+)

- (b) *Freedom of the media in Kazakhstan*: Czech Republic-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 and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/17/09), United States of America (PC.DEL/23/09), Kazakhstan
- (c) *Promulgation of the law on freedom of conscience and religious organizations in Kyrgyzstan*: Czech Republic-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/19/09), United States of America (PC.DEL/22/09), Kyrgyzstan (PC.DEL/25/09)
- (d) *Murder of human rights lawyer Mr. Stanislav Markelov and journalist Ms. Anastasia Baburova*: Czech Republic-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 Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (PC.DEL/18/09), Canada (PC.DEL/32/09/Corr.1), Norway, United States of America (PC.DEL/21/09), Russian Federation (PC.DEL/29/09), Chairperson
- (e) *Human rights situation in Belarus*: United States of America (PC.DEL/24/09), Belarus, Russian Federation

Agenda item 3: REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
 CHAIRPERSON-IN-OFFICE

- (a) *Visit of the Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office to Tbilisi and Tskhinvali on 12 and 13 January 2009*: Chairperson
- (b) *Address by the Chairperson-in-Office to the Permanent Council on 15 January 2009*: Chairperson
- (c) *Visit of the Chairperson-in-Office to Moscow on 21 January 2009*: Chairperson
- (d) *Announcement of the distribution of the report of the activities of the Chairperson-in-Office*: Chairperson

Agenda item 4: REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- (a) *Announcement of the distribution of the report of the Secretary General (SEC.GAL/8/09 OSCE+): Secretary General*
- (b) *Annual meeting of the Chairperson-in-Office and the Secretariat with the heads of field operations and institutions, held in Vienna on 15 and 16 January 2009: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/8/09 OSCE+)*
- (c) *Seventeenth Economic and Environmental Forum, Part I, held in Vienna on 19 and 20 January 2009: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/8/09 OSCE+)*
- (d) *Activities related to the project on gender sensitive migration policy: Secretary General (SEC.GAL/8/09 OSCE+)*

Agenda item 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Language conforming meeting, to be held on 6 February 2009: Finland*
- (b) *Federal parliamentary elections in Germany, to be held on 27 September 2009: Germany (PC.DEL/26/09)*
- (c) *Presidential elections in Lithuania, to be held on 17 May 2009: Lithuania (PC.DEL/27/09)*
- (d) *Seventeenth Economic and Environmental Forum, Part I, held in Vienna on 19 and 20 January 2009: Chairperson*
- (e) *Matters of protocol: Chairperson, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 29 January 2009, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal