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OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

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**In connection with the holding of the
21st St. Petersburg International Economic Forum**

Mr. Chairperson,

We should like to inform our colleagues that the 21st St. Petersburg International Economic Forum will be held in St. Petersburg from 1 to 3 June 2017.

The main topics will once again be the most pressing challenges for the global economy, including the prospects for world economic growth in a globalized society, social and economic reforms, innovation and technological development, regional and industry-specific economic problems, and ways of boosting international and regional co-operation.

Each year the Forum brings together over 10,000 participants, including Heads of State or Government, political leaders, heads of major companies, leading experts and journalists.

The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum is open to everyone interested in constructive dialogue, ready to consider a diverse range of views and committed to seeking mutually acceptable solutions.

Thank you for your attention.