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1. <u>Date</u>: Wednesday, 10 September 2014

Opened: 10 a.m. Closed: 11.50 a.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador C. Giordan

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements – Decisions/documents adopted:</u>

Agenda item 1: OPENING STATEMENT OF THE MONACO FSC

CHAIRMANSHIP BY THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION OF THE PRINCIPALITY

OF MONACO, H.E. JOSÉ BADIA

Chairperson, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Principality of Monaco (FSC.DEL/144/14 OSCE+) (Annex 1), Italy-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland and Montenegro; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (FSC.DEL/146/14), Switzerland (Annex 2), Armenia, Mongolia, Malta (Annex 3), Moldova, United States of America, Ukraine (FSC.DEL/145/14), France, Belarus, Turkey, Spain, Russian Federation

Agenda item 2: GENERAL STATEMENTS

Military exercise entitled "Anakonda-14", to be held from 24 September to 3 October 2014 in Poland: Poland (Annex 4), Russian Federation

Agenda item 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) *Matters of protocol*: Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Italy-European Union, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Germany, Portugal, United States of America, France, Chairperson
- (b) Assessment meeting on the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons and the OSCE Document on Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition, to be held on 23 and 24 September 2014: Chairperson

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 17 September 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Neuer Saal



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF MONACO

Mr. Chairperson, Friends,

As a good Mediterranean, I would describe the conditions in which the Maltese and Moldovan Chairmanships have been carrying out their important work as "rough weather".

The Monégasque Chairmanship will follow in their footsteps and base its activities on their work.

I should like to offer my sincere congratulations and thanks to Ambassadors Azzopardi and Popov and all those who have assisted them in the past eight months. I should also like to welcome Mongolia, with which we already have very good relations, to the Troika.

With your support, our Chairmanship will pilot the FSC ship safely and soundly to the hopefully calmer waters of Switzerland.

I should like today to present our focuses for the remainder of 2014.

The OSCE is confronted by several crises that it needs to deal with. The main one, and the most important, of course, is the crisis in Ukraine, which continues with terrible consequences.

The FSC should address this crisis within the framework of its mandate, and the Monégasque Chairmanship will show the necessary flexibility so that the Forum agenda allows this.

Other areas have also seen an increase in tension. This is the case in particular in Nagorno-Karabakh. The FSC will contribute to the ongoing dialogue so as to progress towards a peaceful settlement of the conflicts.

The search for comprehensive security is at the very foundation of this Organization and we cannot achieve this objective in the long term except by dealing with all of the problems confronting us.

Monaco will therefore address all of these topics at the heart of the FSC mandate while maintaining the security dialogue as far as possible.

The delegation of Monaco has already distributed our work programme. I should like to draw attention to what I consider to be the most important elements.

First of all, the Principality would like to uphold and strengthen the important role played by the OSCE in the area of small arms and light weapons (SALW). It is for that reason that we supported the decision adopted in July on the implementation assessment in respect of the OSCE documents on SALW and we shall do our utmost to ensure the success of this meeting, scheduled for 23 and 24 September 2014.

In this context and within the framework of the security dialogue, there has been an evident need to address the impact of threats arising from the use of new technologies. Recent events make it necessary for us to study the problem of arms produced by 3D printers.

The role of women in promoting peace and security will be emphasized. As you are no doubt aware, the protection of the most vulnerable citizens, particularly women and children, is a focus of Monaco's national plan of action.

Because it has unfortunately been obscured somewhat by current events, we wanted to restore this topic to the FSC agenda.

The Ukrainian crisis has confirmed the central role of the Vienna Document as a confidence- and security-building measure while also highlighting its strengths and weaknesses.

Although the modernization chapter by chapter of this Document was started at the beginning of the year, the difficult context has slowed down the process.

Today we are all in agreement that we cannot take up the discussion again where it was left off if we do not learn the slightest lesson from the Ukrainian crisis.

The Principality therefore felt the need to organize a security dialogue around the Vienna Document in the hope of initiating a constructive debate.

Finally, for obvious reasons, Monaco will endeavour to strengthen the Mediterranean dimension of the OSCE in continuation of the work carried out during the Moldovan and Maltese Chairmanships. The principles of the indivisibility and comprehensiveness of security make it necessary to give more sustained attention to the events that occur in places directly neighbouring the OSCE area.

The Ministerial Council meeting in Basel obviously remains the most important date in this last trimester. At it we shall present all of the work carried out by the FSC in 2014.

The Monégasque Chairmanship is aware of the expectations and is in constant contact with the Swiss Chairmanship to ensure effective preparation of the Council. We see our role

as Chairperson as that of a facilitator; it cannot be otherwise in an organization governed by the principle of consensus.

Moreover, the international context encourages us to be prudent. The Principality will therefore do its best to ensure that the negotiations about possible decisions are conducted in a calm atmosphere and will produce results. The entire month of November will be devoted to these discussions.

In our search for an effective approach, we hope that with the support of all the participating States we can manage at the end of our Chairmanship to submit to the Ministerial Council draft decisions, even if they are few in number, strengthening the role of the OSCE in ensuring the security of all its dimensions, States and populations, a task it has been pursuing since the Helsinki Conference, whose 40th anniversary will be celebrated next year during the Serbian Chairmanship.

Ultimately, it is the participating States that will decide on the draft decisions submitted or proposed in Basel.

I know that you will help us in our tasks and thank you in advance.

Finally, in agreement with the members of the Troika and the Conflict Prevention Centre, I am pleased to confirm the mandates of the various co-ordinators who will officiate during our Chairmanship of the FSC. We appoint the following:

- Lieutenant Colonel Mark Barlow as Co-ordinator for Projects on Small Arms and Light Weapons and Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition;
- Mr. Pierre von Arx as Co-ordinator for the Vienna Document;
- Lieutenant Colonel Detlef Hempel as Co-ordinator for the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security;
- Mr. Raimonds Oškalns as Co-ordinator on Non-Proliferation Issues;
- Major Magín Álvarez Arribas as Chairperson of the Informal Group of Friends on Small Arms and Light Weapons.

It also gives me pleasure to appoint Ms. Neval Orbay as Co-ordinator on Matters Relating to United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325.

Thank you for your attention.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF SWITZERLAND

On behalf of the OSCE Chairmanship-in-Office, Switzerland extends a most cordial welcome to His Excellency Mr. José Badia, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Principality of Monaco, and thanks him for coming to Vienna in person to present the priorities of Monaco in its function as Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC).

We agree with the analysis concerning the role of our Organization and of the Forum in the face of the multiple crises confronting us, the OSCE's assets in its comprehensive approach to security, and the expectations of the participating States.

As the OSCE Chairmanship-in-Office, Switzerland assures the Principality of Monaco of its availability and unreserved support and looks forward to continuing a collaboration that has already started very well. Like Monaco, Switzerland hopes for open and constructive discussion within the FSC. I should also like to emphasize that the Chairmanship-in-Office will fully respect the Forum's autonomy.

We congratulate His Excellency Ambassador Claude Giordan and his team for the meticulous preparation of the last trimester of this year, which will culminate in the Ministerial Council meeting in Basel.

The programme presented is not only highly relevant but also promising. Without a doubt, the crisis in Ukraine will continue to occupy us in the weeks to come; with good reason, because our Organization plays a unique and crucial role in the settlement of this crisis. The FSC has proved its worth as a platform for politico-military dialogue.

Within this framework, Switzerland recalls the importance of full respect of the Helsinki Final Act and subsequent documents and of international law. Among the fundamental principles, respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity and the non-use of force are primordial for European security.

In the face of the crisis in Ukraine, we would also be grateful to the new Chairmanship not to forget the other challenges confronting our Organization, including the conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh.

We commend the Principality of Monaco for addressing the topics of small arms and light weapons (SALW) and the Vienna Document, which are also priorities for Switzerland, and the role of women in promoting peace and security.

Switzerland recently decided to contribute to the SALW implementation assessment meeting not only in the form of expertise but also by donating 10,000 euros. It is, in fact, high time for the FSC to continue the review process launched three years ago now.

Never has the Vienna Document on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures been used as much, demonstrating that the OSCE has instruments that can also be utilized in times of crisis. Switzerland advocates modernization of the Vienna Document; the security dialogue devoted to the Vienna Document is a first step towards learning lessons from the Ukrainian crisis, which could help all participating States in the adaptation of this Document; we also advocate a continuation of the discussion chapter by chapter.

We are grateful to the Monégasque Chairmanship for including the impact of new technologies including 3D printers among its promising themes.

There is no shortage of obstacles and challenges; taking up the metaphor of bad weather that has shaken us in recent months, we shall endeavour together with the Monégasque Chairmanship and the participating States to pilot our ship safely and soundly to the Ministerial Council meeting in Basel.

The delegation of Switzerland takes this opportunity of thanking Moldova, the outgoing FSC Chairmanship, for the important work it has accomplished and the delegation of Malta for its activities during the first trimester.

We also welcome Mongolia as the future Chairmanship of the FSC next year.

We wish the entire Monégasque team "happy sailing".

We thank you for your attention and request that this statement be attached as an annex to the journal of this meeting.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF MALTA

Mr. Chairperson,

Malta welcomes H.E. José Badia, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Principality of Monaco and thanks him for laying down the priorities of this Chairmanship during the third and last but not the least difficult trimester of 2014, which will lead us to the Ministerial Conference in Basel.

At the outset, I would like to thank the delegation of the Principality of Monaco in Vienna for their support and close co-operation during the Chairmanship of Malta at the beginning of this year, in particular in preparing the tentative programme for 2014.

Malta also welcomes Mongolia as the new troika member.

Mr. Chairperson,

Malta aligns itself with the statement as delivered by the EU representative and would like to add a few remarks from our national perspective as an outgoing troika member.

During Malta's FSC Chairmanship at the beginning of this year, the Ukraine crisis dominated most of the discussions. It is with regret that as this year is moving to a close, the Ukrainian dossier remains one of concern and will pose a challenge to your Chairmanship.

Nevertheless, my delegation has full trust in your ability to steer this Forum through the current unfavourable environment and to draw attention on the lessons learnt from this crisis. During this year and during my time as Chair of the FSC, the pressing need to update the Vienna Document has become more apparent. We thus call on all delegations to work swiftly and in full co-operation towards the updating of this document in order to ensure that the Vienna Document reflects present security needs.

It goes without saying that Malta warmly welcomes Monaco's intention to focus particularly on the "Mediterranean dimension of the OSCE". The Mediterranean continues to present various security challenges which fall under the remit of the FSC, and which often have direct impact on the entire OSCE region. It is to be recalled that the Helsinki Final Act affirms that security in Europe is closely linked to security in the Mediterranean. It is, therefore, in the interest of all OSCE States to work closely on deepening relations with

countries of the Mediterranean. Malta remains fully committed to support Monaco in the task of engaging the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation in the work of the FSC, including the FSC contribution to the Helsinki+40 process to reaffirm the need "to increase mutual confidence, so as to promote security and stability in the Mediterranean area as a whole".

Mr. Chairperson,

To conclude, I wish every success to the delegation of Monaco and reiterate Malta's support during your Chairmanship.



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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF POLAND

Mr. Chairperson, Excellencies, Distinguished delegates,

Poland strongly supports the view that there is a need for enhanced transparency, military predictability and confidence-building among the participating States. One of the most important steps towards this goal is the promotion of the broadest possible transparency with regard to military activities of armed forces.

Therefore, we would like to present some facts and figures concerning the training exercise "Anakonda-14", which will be conducted on the territory of Poland from 24 September to 3 October 2014.

The military exercise "Anakonda-14" was announced by Poland in November 2013 (with reference to Section VII, paragraph 61 – notification number CBM/PL/13/0035/F30/O) and in August 2014 (with reference to Section V, paragraph 38 – notification number CBM/PL/14/0040/F25/O).

The exercise will be multinational in character, involving the following States: Poland, Canada, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

The "Anakonda-14" military exercise has been organized in accordance with the 2014 Training Plan for the Polish Armed Forces and is not directed against any third country. The exercise's scenario is that of a fictitious emerging crisis situation and features a number of military actions as responses thereto.

The main goals of the exercise are: to synchronize the Supreme Commander's subordinate commands and formations in planning and conducting joint defence operations; to improve capabilities of commands and formations in conducting joint defence operations in a local conflict; and to improve the interoperability of assigned multinational forces and co-ordination with national non-military defence structures.

"Anakonda-14" will be conducted as a live exercise (LIVEX) with elements of a computer-assisted exercise (CAX). The episodes will be simulated by means of Joint Theatre

Level Simulation (JTLS), which will be strictly linked up with the Joint Exercise Management Module (JEMM), with practical activities being synchronized accordingly.

The main part of the exercise is divided into three phases:

- (a) Initial Phase (from 24 September 2014 to 25 September 2014), which will consist of the opening ceremony, EXCON general training, Mini Exercise, and Mid Hot Wash.
- (b) Main Phase (from 25 September 2014 to 3 October 2014), during which Tactical Mission Tasks will be conducted. A live firing exercise is planned to be performed from 1 October 2014 to 3 October 2014.

The Main Phase will be carried out at multiple locations:

- Land Forces Training Centre ORZYSZ;
- Land Forces Training Centre DRAWSKO;
- Air Forces Central Range USTKA;
- Land Forces Training Centre NOWA DEBA;
- Navy Military Training Areas;
- WARSAW, GDYNIA;
- Units' Peace Time Training Location ELBLAG, MORAG; ORZYSZ, GIŻYCKO, WEGORZEWO.

An Observation Liaison Team (OLT) will be deployed to Warsaw for the Main Phase.

(c) Final Phase (from 08.00 to 12.00, 3 October 2014), which will consist of ENDEX and the closing ceremony.

A total of 12,500 soldiers will be involved in the exercise, including: 11,900 from Poland, 240 from the United Kingdom, 202 from the Czech Republic, 80 from the United States of America, 56 from Lithuania, and some other personnel from Canada, Estonia, Hungary and the Netherlands.

As far as the equipment is concerned, 123 armoured combat vehicles (ACVs), 15 anti-tank guided missiles (ATGMs), 30 multiple launch rocket systems (MLRSs), and 40 air sorties will be involved in the exercise. The only difference from the original notification will be the participation of two F-16 combat aircraft of the Royal Dutch Air Force.

Any public affairs activity related to the exercise will be co-ordinated by the Armed Forces Operational Command spokesperson, Head of the Main Press Office. The main press office will operate at the exercise location in Warsaw. Subordinate press offices will be activated at all military training areas. The main press office is responsible for issuing an agreed initial exercise news release.

During the exercise, an Observers' Day (OD) at the Air Forces Central Range USTKA is scheduled for 1 October 2014. Moreover, a Distinguished Visitors Day (DVD) at the Land Forces Training Centre Orzysz is scheduled for 2 October 2014.

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I thank you for your attention and kindly ask you, Mr. Chairperson, that this statement be attached to the journal of the day.