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SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

DRAFT RESOLUTION

ON

"STRENGTHENING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE OSCE PA AND THE OSCE"

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Strengthening Relations Between the OSCE PA and the OSCE

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- 1. <u>Recognizing</u> that the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly was established by the 1990 Charter of Paris to promote greater involvement in the OSCE by national parliaments,
- 2. <u>Recalling</u> the St. Petersburg Declaration of 1999, which emphasizes the crucial role Parliaments and Parliamentarians play as guardians of democracy, the rule of law and the respect for human rights at both the national and international levels, and that democratic oversight and accountability are essential elements of transparency, credibility, and efficiency,
- 3. <u>Emphasizing</u> that the OSCE PA and the OSCE share the common goal of promoting democracy, the rule of law, security, and respect for human rights,
- 4. <u>Stressing</u> that the growing importance of the OSCE in recent years as a forum for dialogue and co-operation calls for thoroughly examining ways to enhance co-operation between the OSCE PA and the OSCE,
- 5. <u>Underlining</u> that since 1999 the OSCE PA has repeatedly proposed and called for an increased role of the OSCE PA in the work and decision-making process of the OSCE, with little avail,
- 6. Welcoming the progress made in establishing procedures in the co-operation between the OSCE PA and the OSCE's executive structures.
- 7. Recalling the Oslo Declaration of 2010, which emphasizes the urgent need for improvement and reform with regard to strengthening co-operation and enhancing dialogue and closer institutional links between the Parliamentary Assembly and the OSCE,
- 8. Recalling the OSCE Summit Astana Commemorative Declaration of 2010, in which the Heads of State or Government of OSCE participating States declared their determination to intensify co-operation with the OSCE PA and encourage the PA's efforts to promote security, democracy, and prosperity throughout the OSCE area and within participating States,
- 9. <u>Recalling</u> the Helsinki Declaration of 2015, which calls for better co-ordination, engagement, and information-sharing between the International Secretariat in Vienna, other OSCE Institutions, and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly's International Secretariat in Copenhagen, possibly through the development of an annual strategic plan of action for mutual strengthening;

- 10. <u>Stressing</u> the need for the OSCE PA to develop new ways to improve and increase cooperation between the OSCE PA and the OSCE,
- 11. <u>Recognizing</u> efforts already made by the Secretariat of the Assembly towards stronger co-operation with the OSCE executive structures, and <u>welcoming</u> in particular recent initiatives made under the leadership of the new Secretary General of the OSCE PA,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

- 12. <u>Asks</u> the Secretary General of the Assembly to develop, in co-operation with the OSCE executive structures, an action plan on how the OSCE PA and the executive structures can work more closely together, *inter alia*, on the three dimensions of the OSCE: the politico-military, the economic and environmental, and the human, to the benefit of both sides;
- 13. <u>Asks</u> for the action plan to also include proposals on new ways for members of the PA to participate concretely in the work of the Assembly to promote democracy, the rule of law, security, and human rights on the ground in the OSCE area in an effective way;
- 14. <u>Asks</u> the Secretary General to put forth the action plan to the Assembly at its Autumn Meeting in 2017.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the DRAFT RESOLUTION

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