

Decision No 194 of the OSCE Permanent Council (5 November 1997)

Caption: On 5 November 1997, the participating States of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) establish the post of Coordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities within the OSCE Secretariat.

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Mandate for a Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

In keeping with the OSCE's comprehensive concept of security, bearing in mind the particular role which the OSCE plays in early warning, conflict prevention, crisis management and post-conflict rehabilitation, in fulfilment of the commitment embodied in the Lisbon Summit Declaration to improve their common efforts in the implementation of OSCE commitments in the economic dimension and to pursue the adequate development of OSCE activities dealing with security-related economic, social and environmental issues, the participating States:

1. Decide to establish the position of a Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities within the OSCE Secretariat.

Mandate

2. The Co-ordinator, acting in support of the Chairman-in-Office, is charged with strengthening the ability of the Permanent Council and the OSCE institutions to address economic, social and environmental aspects of security.

3. The Co-ordinator will act in accordance with the OSCE's flexible approach in responding to tensions and crisis situations as they emerge and evolve. His/Her regular priorities will be:

- to enhance OSCE interaction with relevant international economic organizations, financial institutions and organizations active in the environmental field, as well as with relevant regional, subregional and transborder economic co-operation organizations and initiatives;

- recognizing the role these organizations, institutions and initiatives play, to establish interaction and regular consultations with them based on the concept of co-operative security and aimed at the development of synergies;

- to draw on their expertise in working to assess potential security risks stemming, wholly or in part, from economic, social and environmental factors;

- to offer them the added value of the OSCE's unique political and security perspective;

- to foster co-operation and information-sharing between the OSCE and international economic organizations/financial institutions in addressing the economic and environmental aspects of post-conflict rehabilitation;

- to strengthen the economic, social and environmental components of the work of OSCE missions¹ where appropriate as an essential early-warning tool and in the fulfilment of OSCE commitments;

- to deepen interaction with the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in areas within the Co-ordinator's competence;

- to broaden OSCE interaction with representatives of the business community, business associations and relevant non-governmental organizations; and

- to develop, on the basis of input from participating States and other institutions, a work programme, to include planning for and follow-up to meetings of the Economic Forum, and the preparation of an

appropriate schedule of events in the economic dimension. The Co-ordinator shall, within the scope of his/her mandate, participate in and provide input to these meetings and other related OSCE activities, including but not limited to annual implementation reviews and work related to the Security Model. In general, the Coordinator's activities shall be reflected in the Secretary General's reports to the Permanent Council; however, given his/her specialized expertise, he/she shall address that body as the need arises or upon request.

Profile, Appointment and Support

4. The Co-ordinator shall be an individual with a distinguished record of service, in the public or the private sector, in promoting enhanced economic co-operation and security in the OSCE region.

5. The Co-ordinator shall be appointed for a period of three years, in accordance with established OSCE procedures applicable to D2 and D1 positions.

6. The Co-ordinator will work under the direct supervision of the Secretary General. The post will be funded through the OSCE budget in accordance with the OSCE Staff Regulations. The Co-ordinator will be assisted by the Economic Adviser and necessary office staff.

¹ The term "missions" here includes all comparable field activities such as "assistance groups", "presences", etc.