

Summary of the conclusions of the third meeting of the CSCE Council: extract concerning the new participating States (Stockholm, 14 December 1992)

Caption: At its meeting held in Stockholm on 14 December 1992, the CSCE Council expresses its support for the expansion of CSCE activities and for visits to the newly-admitted participating States. Furthermore, it decides to welcome the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic as participating States from 1 January 1993 following the receipt of letters drawn up in accordance with the attached model.

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Decisions

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9. Integration of new participating States

The Ministers decided to intensify their support in conjunction with other institutions, notably the Council of Europe, for the building of democratic institutions to meet the needs identified by newly admitted participating States. They entrusted the Chairman-in-Office, assisted by the CSCE Troika, to consult with newly admitted participating States on useful steps under the Programme of Co-ordinated Support agreed at Helsinki.

The Chairman-in-Office, accompanied by a team of CSCE experts, will conduct a programme of visits to the newly admitted participating States to discuss the CSCE in all its aspects and to explore means of promoting the full involvement of those States in the work and activities of the CSCE. Experts will continue discussions and make an inventory of possible points for further action including ways of promoting information on the CSCE. The Ministers expressed their support for the expansion of CSCE activities in and visits to these States.

10. Admission of new participating States

The Ministers agreed that the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic would be welcomed as participating States from 1 January 1993 following receipt of letters accepting CSCE commitments and responsibilities from each of them according to the draft in Annex 3.

[...]

Annex 3

Bratislava/Prague, 1 January

1993

Your Excellency,

The Government of the Slovak/Czech Republic hereby adopts the Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe and all other documents of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The Government of the Slovak/Czech Republic accepts in their entirety all commitments and responsibilities contained in these documents and declares its determination to act in accordance with their provisions. It will assume, in co-operation with the Czech/Slovak Republic as the other successor State to the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, all CFE obligations of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic.

The Government of the Slovak/Czech Republic invites and will fully facilitate the visit of a Rapporteur Mission to be arranged by the Chairman of the CSCE Council. This Mission will report to the CSCE participating States on the fulfilment by the Slovak/Czech Republic of CSCE commitments and provide assistance towards their fullest implementation.

The Government of the Slovak/Czech Republic expresses its readiness for signature of the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris by the Head of State or Government of the Slovak/Czech Republic at the earliest convenience.

I kindly ask Your Excellency to circulate copies of this letter to all CSCE participating States.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Her Excellency
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Stockholm

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