



To: Heads of all OSCE PA Delegations
CC: Secretaries of OSCE PA Delegations

Copenhagen, 19 March 2012

Dear Heads of Delegations,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly has received an invitation to observe the parliamentary elections in Serbia, which are scheduled for 6 May 2012. President Petros Efthymiou has decided to deploy an Election Observation Mission to these elections, and he has appointed Chairman of the Assembly's 3rd Committee, Matteo Mecacci to lead the mission. As usual, the OSCE PA will work in co-operation with the OSCE ODIHR and other international parliamentary institutions present during the elections.

The Assembly has observed elections in Serbia in 1997, 2000, 2003, 2007 and 2008. In the last two elections, the observers gave a very positive assessment of the elections in Serbia. The OSCE ODIHR will be deploying a Limited Election Observation Mission (LEOM) with a core team of experts, 10 long-term observers and with no short term observers.

Those interested in obtaining more information about the Election Observation Mission are asked to contact Deputy Director for Field Operations Roberto Montella (roberto@oscepa.dk) at the International Secretariat's Vienna Liaison Office.

Please find attached a registration form for Members wishing to observe these elections. We kindly ask that you return the completed form with a copy of the Members' passport to the International Secretariat as soon as possible, but **no later than 5 April 2012. Please note that due to observer registration procedures, no late registrations will be possible.** All observers are expected to arrive in Belgrade in time to attend the briefings beginning on 4-5 May and to stay until after the debriefing on the morning of 7 May. We are currently looking at logistical aspects of this mission and will be circulating more practical information, including recommended hotel accommodation soon.

I wish to remind you that national parliaments are responsible for all expenses of their members and that all meetings and briefings will be conducted in English.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Spencer Oliver', written in a cursive style.

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