

The President

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

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Dear Heads of Delegations,

Following the decision of the Azeri authorities to change the date of the elections, which are now scheduled for 9 October, I have decided to deploy a limited election observation mission to the presidential election in Azerbaijan. I would like to invite Members of the Standing Committee to observe this election. Please note that while Heads of Delegation can be substituted by another Member of Delegation (but only one member per delegation), no substitution is possible for Bureau Members.

Once a delegation is formed, I will appoint a Head of the OSCE PA Delegation. As you are already informed the Chairman-in-Office has appointed Michel Voisin, French Deputy Head of Delegation as Special Co-ordinator at the request of former OSCE PA President Wolfgang Grossruck.

Please find attached a registration form for Members wishing to observe the elections in Azerbaijan. I kindly ask you to return the completed forms with copies of Members' passports and passport photos to Operations Officer Iryna Sabashuk at the International Secretariat (eom.az@oscepa.dk) as soon as possible, but not later than **24 September**. The Secretariat is currently looking at the logistical aspects of this mission and will circulate more practical information, including recommended hotel accommodation soon.

I wish to remind you that national parliaments are responsible for their Members' expenses and that all meetings and briefings will be conducted in Azerbaijani and English only.

Yours sincerely,

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