

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

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Dear Heads of Delegations,

Midterm elections will be held in the United States on 4 November 2014, and OSCE PA President Ilkka Kanerva has decided to deploy a Limited Election Observation Mission to this election.

Please find attached a registration form for Members wishing to observe the elections in the United States. We kindly ask you to return the completed form with a copy of the photograph page from Members' passports to Dana Bjerregaard at the International Secretariat at (dana@oscepa.dk) as soon as possible, but no later than 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2014. Please note that due to registration procedures, we may not be able to accommodate those who register after the deadline.

As this is mission is limited in scope, each national delegation is invited to nominate Bureau Members, plus up to two Members (and one staff) to this mission.

Further information, including a detailed programme, will be distributed to participants soon. Briefings for the mission which are expected to be organized in cooperation with the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and are expected to be held beginning 2-3 days before election day. Members are reminded that in accordance with the OSCE PA's Astana Declaration of 2008, participants are expected to attend the full briefing programme as well as the de-briefing on the day following the election.

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

Yours sincerely,

Andreas Baker
Director of Elections