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DRAFT RESOLUTION

FOR THE GENERAL COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND SECURITY

Advancing Sustainable Development to Promote Security: The Role of Parliaments

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1. Recognizing that peace and sustainable development go hand in hand, and that the precarious state of global security requires a recommitment among all OSCE participating States to conflict resolution, arms control, confidence- and security-building measures, counter-terrorism and multilateralism,
2. Recalling OSCE principles outlined in the Helsinki Final Act on sovereign equality, the inadmissibility of the threat or use of force, inviolability of frontiers, territorial integrity of States, peaceful settlement of disputes, non-intervention in internal affairs, co-operation among States, and the fulfilment in good faith of obligations under international law,
3. Reaffirming our commitment to the OSCE's comprehensive approach to security – encompassing the politico-military, economic and environmental, and human dimensions – which promotes meaningful multilateral co-operation on conflict prevention, crisis management and post-conflict rehabilitation,
4. Reiterating the relevance of the OSCE as an essential forum for dialogue, debate, and trust- and confidence-building,
5. Welcoming the OSCE Slovak Chairmanship's action plan for preventing, mediating, and mitigating conflict while focusing on the people it affects; providing for a safer future; and promoting effective multilateralism,
6. Noting the adoption at the Milan 2018 OSCE Ministerial Council of relevant declarations and statements in the politico-military dimension of security, including on the Transdniestrian Settlement Process, the role of youth in peace and security efforts, promoting norms and best practices on small arms and light weapons and stockpiles of conventional ammunition, and security and co-operation in the Mediterranean,
7. Emphasizing the commitment of OSCE PA members to implementing the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals, which are worthwhile guidelines for fostering peaceful, just, and inclusive societies free from fear and violence,
8. Stressing the vital importance of gender equality in peace processes, conflict resolution, decision-making, and institution-building in the security sphere,
9. Regretting the collapse of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty and the general deterioration in arms control, nuclear security, and nuclear weapons reduction agreements, as well as moves by the major nuclear weapons powers to develop new categories of weapons and modernize existing nuclear arsenals and delivery systems,
10. Expressing concern over the lack of sustainable progress in establishing constructive dialogue among the sides of the protracted conflicts in the OSCE area, namely the

conflicts in Abkhazia and the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia of Georgia; Donetsk and Luhansk regions as well as the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol of Ukraine; the Nagorno-Karabakh region and seven distinct districts of Azerbaijan,

11. Alarmed that Ukraine ranks among the most mine-affected countries in the world, with nearly 2,000 landmine casualties in eastern Ukraine since 2014, and recalling that anti-personnel mines violate international humanitarian law, endanger the lives of civilians, and hinder economic recovery and future development,
12. Welcoming progress in the Transdniestrian Settlement Process, and urging the sides to continue pursuing steps to improve the lives of people in the Transdniestrian region of the Republic of Moldova,
13. Condemning all forms of terrorism and extremist violence regardless of their motivations, and extending our deepest condolences to the victims of terrorist attacks and their families,
14. Recognizing the essential role of parliaments in advancing sustainable development and security by adopting relevant legislation, providing oversight, ratifying treaties, approving budgets, and setting agendas that prioritize the need to comply with international commitments in the political and security sphere,
15. Acknowledging concerns related to the growing influence of China within the OSCE area, particularly in relation to economic and technological matters, and the security considerations resulting from this, and affirming that the Silk Road initiative is not a measure of support for China, but is a project which supports many central Asian countries,
16. Welcoming the important work being done by the OSCE PA's Ad Hoc Committee on Countering Terrorism to advance a multi-dimensional, multi-stakeholder approach to counter-terrorism through field visits, participation in international fora, and exchanging best practices,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

17. Urges participating States to reduce all forms of violence and significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, in line with UN Sustainable Development Goal 16;
18. Calls for the full implementation of the OSCE's 2004 Action Plan on the Promotion of Gender Equality and United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325, and urges OSCE participating States to identify priorities, allocate necessary resources, and commit to government action to promote women's participation in settling international disputes and post-conflict peace building;
19. Encourages the intensification of result-oriented talks in the framework of the agreed formats for conflict resolution, and calls on the parties to conflicts to engage in negotiations in good faith without preconditions for achieving comprehensive and long-lasting peace, in full respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and inviolability of the internationally recognized borders of Georgia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Moldova;

20. Encourages the OSCE to continue working with the parties to the conflicts on confidence-building measures, particularly in the humanitarian field, as well as synchronizing them with the political processes;
21. Calls for the cessation of military hostilities in eastern Ukraine, the full withdrawal of heavy-calibre weaponry by both sides, an immediate end to the use of landmines and greater investment in demining efforts, the de-occupation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, the withdrawal of Russian military forces from Ukrainian territory, and a comprehensive settlement of the conflict based on full implementation of the Minsk Agreements, in particular the obligations under the Minsk Agreements which have not been fulfilled by the Russian Federation;
22. Calls for the safe, dignified, and unhindered return of internally displaced persons and refugees from conflict zones to their places of origin in accordance with the Helsinki Final Act, United Nations Charter and the relevant documents, principles and commitments of the OSCE and the OSCE PA;
23. Urges the OSCE and its participating States to pay close attention to the situation along the border between Northern Ireland and Ireland, particularly in light of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union and the importance of protecting the Good Friday Agreement, which protects the continuance of peace on the island of Ireland;
24. Calls on the United States and the Russian Federation to recommit to nuclear arms control, non-proliferation and disarmament, including by taking steps towards formally negotiating to resolve the INF Treaty dispute and refrain from developing and deploying any missile systems prohibited under the INF Treaty or other international agreements;
25. Urges participating States to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons of 2017, the first legally binding international agreement to comprehensively prohibit nuclear weapons, with the goal of their total elimination;
26. Urges parliaments to pursue budgetary priorities in support of nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament treaties, mechanisms, and initiatives, and to advance nuclear threat reduction and disarmament as priorities in nuclear posture reviews and national policies;
27. Calls on parliaments to establish and strengthen parliamentary bodies for scrutiny of security and intelligence services, both public and private, and urges OSCE participating States to ensure that all security and intelligence services abide by the rule of law, that crimes committed by security and intelligence officers are prosecuted, and that the norms and principles outlined by the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security are fully implemented;
28. Urges parliaments to be cognizant of security challenges related to technology, and calls on parliaments to refrain from utilizing artificial intelligence in situations where its use may carry risks;

29. Urges the OSCE and its participating States to monitor the security implications which may arise due to the growing influence of China, both in relation to economic and technological matters, in the OSCE area;
30. Calls on parliaments and governments to respond effectively to the challenges stemming from returning and relocating foreign terrorist fighters (FTFs), including by sharing relevant information, promoting inclusive education and specialized social services to counter the spread of violent extremism, and fully implementing international obligations stemming from United Nations Security Council Resolutions 2178 and 2396 on the establishment of Advance Passenger Information, Personal Name Record, and biometric systems;
31. Urges the OSCE to pursue internal reforms in order to ensure its viability and protect against abuse of its consensus rule so that it is not used to block key meetings or shut down field offices, with consideration given to adopting a modified consensus procedure for practical and technical issues.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the DRAFT RESOLUTION

On

**ADVANCING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TO PROMOTE SECURITY:
THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS**

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