

Saturday, 19 June 2021

Half Day Parliamentary briefings (*cont.*)

Sunday, 20 June 2021

All Day Observation at Polling Stations

Monday, 21 June 2021

08:00 (TBC) De-Briefing for PA observers
Afternoon Press-Conference in Yerevan
Suggested departures of observers

Members are reminded that in accordance with the OSCE PA's Astana Declaration of 2008 and the Guidelines, participants are expected to participate in the full briefing programme as well as the debriefing on the day following the election.

Briefing on Mission for new OSCE PA observers

We kindly invite new members to attend the Briefing on the Mission aimed at providing useful information on the general framework of PA observation missions. The briefing is open to all OSCE PA observers, but participation is expected for new observers. Further details will be communicated to new observers.

Election Day

The International Secretariat will circulate a draft deployment plan taking into consideration wishes by observers, but also the requirements for a meaningful observation mission. Subject to adjustments required by the health situation, on Election Day, Members will generally work in teams of two with the support of an interpreter and a driver.

National parliaments are responsible for their own Members' expenses, including any hotel cancellations, as well as fees for driver, interpreter and fuel. Further information on arrangements for Election Day including related to costs for any cars/drivers and interpreters for Election Day will be communicated in due time. All interpreters and drivers will be asked to obtain a negative result to a COVID-19 test in advance of taking up their duties in support of the mission.

Travel and Health Insurance

As a result of the COVID-19 response, a number of travel restrictions are in place in many countries, and Members are requested to consult with the appropriate authorities regarding travel procedures and access to the country. The International Secretariat will maintain close contact with the authorities in Armenia to ensure compliance with local health regulations.

The mission will work to put in place disease mitigation measures including social distancing where possible, however participants should understand that observation is a physical practice requiring interaction with a wide range of people. Observers are expected to comply with all national laws and regulations of the host country, including health regulations; please note that there may be additional costs related to compliance with health measures required by the authorities of Armenia or by the mission. All participants are expected to obtain a PCR test for COVID-19 not earlier than 72 hours prior to arrival in Armenia. Participants may be requested to demonstrate a negative result to such test; if the test indicates positive for COVID, observers are expected to not travel for the observation mission.

Members are requested to ensure that they have full health insurance coverage valid for the duration of their stay in Armenia.