

The Secretary General

To: Members of the OSCE PA Standing Committee

CC: Members of the OSCE PA Bureau Staff of OSCE PA Delegations

Copenhagen, 8 December 2021

Dear Members of the Standing Committee,

I wish to bring to your attention the documents adopted by the 2021 OSCE Ministerial Council, which took place in Stockholm on 2 and 3 December.

In particular, besides decisions of purely administrative nature, please find enclosed to this letter the following:

- > Decision no. 2/21 on the OSCE Chairmanship in the Year 2025
- Decision no. 3/21 on Strengthening Co-operation to address the Challenges caused by Climate Change
- Ministerial Statement on the Negotiations on the Transdniestrian Settlement Process in the "5+2" Format

While consensus could not be reached on several other drafts that were under consideration of participating States for months, the substantive decision on climate change is a very important one, as it underlines the linkage between climate and security on which also the OSCE PA has been working on, as duly recognized in the text.

In the spirit of parliamentary - governmental cooperation within the OSCE, I kindly ask you to forward this ministerial decision to the members of your delegation in order to promote its implementation, including at national level. This is also in line with our *Call for Action – Helsinki* +50 initiative, which aims at leveraging on parliamentary assets to raise the political profile of the organization in each of the 57 capitals.

I take this opportunity to thank you for your engagement and support, and hope to see you soon in person.

Yours sincerely,

Roberto Montella Secretary General