

Saturday, 13 May 2023

Half Day Parliamentary briefings (*cont.*)
Deployment to Areas of Observation

Sunday, 14 May 2023

All Day Observation at Polling Stations

Monday, 15 May 2023

08:00 De-Briefing for OSCE PA observers (in-person in Ankara; online for observers deployed with overnight stay outside Ankara)

Afternoon Press-Conference in Ankara

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 observers 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

We kindly ask you to indicate your preference for deployment in the Individual Registration Form while submitting your documents. The International Secretariat will circulate a draft deployment plan taking into consideration wishes by observers, but also the requirements for a meaningful observation mission. The deployment plan will be prepared based on indicated preferences and on the need for balance in our observation mission. This plan will also be prepared in such a way as to complement efforts by the observer teams deployed by the OSCE/ODIHR. 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.

De-Briefing and Departures

Please note while making your travel arrangements that an online de-briefing are planned for those observers deployed with overnight stays outside Ankara. We kindly ask members not to book their domestic Turkish flights or departure flights prior to the finalization of the expected deployment plan for observers.

Visa

Observers are advised to contact the Turkish consulates in their respective countries to verify visa requirements necessary for their travel for the Mission. Please contact the International Secretariat if you need any assistance while arranging your visa documents.

Travel and Health Insurance

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 Turkish authorities or by the mission. All participants are expected to obtain a rapid or PCR test for COVID-19 not older than 48 hours prior to arrival in Türkiye. 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 Türkiye.