

Statement
by the Permanent Representative of Tajikistan to the OSCE on
Implementation the Madrid MC Decision 04/07 on Afghanistan
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Mr. Chairperson,

First, I thank the Lithuanian Chairmanship, colleagues from the Secretariat and Ambassador Abdul M. Shoogufan for organizing this informative briefing.

We note that, since adoption the Madrid MC Decision on Afghanistan in 2007, the OSCE and Participation states made significant achievement in the field of extension practical assistance to Afghanistan and its OSCE neighboring States to counter terrorism, extremism, drug trafficking emanating from Afghanistan, as well to enhance local capacity building potential in Central Asia. The OSCE Border Staff College is a flagship and real outcome of joint efforts toward implementation the Madrid MC Decision of Afghanistan. We are satisfied with the current level of cooperation between the OSCE and Tajikistan and support the OSCE's incoming contribution to continue activity in the field of combating transnational threats, improvement border management and development border strategy.

Mr. Chairman,

Tajikistan is on the frontline the OSCE and international effort to counter these threats and mostly interested in stable and secure Afghanistan. Upcoming value added the OSCE intense work in the field of border management in Tajikistan is an important in light of expected withdraw the Coalition Forces from Afghanistan, as well the pressing need to increase international consolidated assistance to strengthen Tajik-Afghan border. In this regard, we anticipate more OSCE collaboration with the Government of Tajikistan and existing regional security structures, such as CSTO, SCO and others.

Taking note strong willingness of Tajikistan to contribute to the economic rehabilitation and restoration of Afghanistan, as well to develop energy and transport infrastructure in Central Asia, we suggest that the OSCE Office of the Coordinator for Economic and Ecology activity will step up toward contribution to the joint energy, rail and road projects connecting Tajikistan and Central Asia with Afghanistan.

I Thank You Mr. Chairperson,