

## Information Note<sup>1</sup>

**Event:** Forum for Security Cooperation (FSC) Plenary Meeting of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation (OSCE) and visits to international organisations  
**Location:** Vienna, Austria  
**Date:** 7 to 8 April 2017  
**Organisers:** OSCE  
**Participants: In the FSC Plenary: Governments:** OSCE Participating States; **International Organisations:** 1540 Group of Experts, UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)

### Background

The FSC held a Plenary Meeting on 7 June dedicated to “UNSC Resolution 1540 with its Follow-Ups 1977 (2011) and 2325 (2016): Exchange of National Export Control Experience and Best Practices of the OSCE Participating States”. As keynote speakers for the meeting the FSC Chair invited representatives from the Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, the 1540 Group of Experts and UNODA.

Members of the 1540 Committee and the Group of Experts have been invited to participate in the OSCE’s FSC Plenary meetings annually for the past four years. The FSC meetings provide an opportunity for the OSCE Participating States to be brought up to date on developments in regard to the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). The OSCE Secretariat and country offices provide substantial support for 1540 activities in the OSCE region.

### Highlights

The speaker from the Russian Federation explained his country’s export control and licensing system. The speakers from the 1540 Group of Experts and UNODA spoke on collaboration with the OSCE in promoting the implementation of resolution 1540 obligations, the resolution 1540 and on the follow-on resolutions, in particular on resolution 2325 (2016).

While in Vienna, in accord with paragraph 10(a) of the Committee’s 2017 Programme of Work, the 1540 Expert took the opportunity to have discussions with the 1540 Points of Contact at the OSCE secretariat, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to discuss respective plans for activities and support in the remainder of 2017, in particular in relation to assistance.

### Additional Comments

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