

Information Note¹

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Event: Meeting with an Inter-Ministerial Working Group of Tajikistan together with the OSCE to assist with drafting of voluntary National Implementation Action Plan

Organizers: Government of Tajikistan and the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)

Date and venue: 29 - 30 July 2015, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

Objectives for the participating 1540 Committee expert

- To make a presentation on the status of implementation of the resolution 1540 (2004) and existing challenges;
- Analyse Tajikistan's draft National Implementation Action Plan (NAP) with a view to identifying possible improvements;
- Participate in discussions of the Inter-Ministerial Working Group to help finalise the NAP;
- Refine the details of any assistance requests that may be included in the NAP.

Background

Resolution 1977 (2011) encourages the 1540 Committee, with the support of the necessary relevant expertise, to actively engage in dialogue with States on the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), including through visits to States at their invitation. Also, the resolution encourages all States to prepare on a voluntary basis national implementation action plans (NAP), with the assistance of the 1540 Committee as appropriate. Since the adoption of resolution 1977 (2011), the 1540 Group of Experts have interacted with States to assist them with the drafting of such plans, including Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Malawi and Niger.

With the assistance of the OSCE and the Group of Experts, Tajikistan has been developing its NAP over the past two years. A final draft is now to be submitted for approval by the government at ministerial level. The OSCE has invited the Committee and the 1540 Group of Experts to join it in participating in a meeting of a Tajik Inter-Ministerial Working Group, responsible for the implementation of resolution 1540, to review the draft NAP.

Overview

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The meeting with an Inter-Ministerial Working Group of Tajikistan on the resolution 1540 (2004) implementation was an excellent opportunity to discuss measures taken by Tajikistan to implement resolution 1540 (2004) and to identify areas in which further measures need to be developed in the context of National Action Plan.

The draft NAP of Tajikistan is a comprehensive document addressing all operative paragraphs of the 1540 resolution and is in an advanced stage of development. The Working Group was found to be an effective mechanism for coordinating development of the NAP.

Given the requested approval deadline (31 December 2015) and high level of draft NAP readiness, the OSCE plans to hold the next session with Tajikistan in Vienna on 8-9 October 2015 with the participation of the representatives of the Working Group.

Additional Comments

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