



Centre for Security Cooperation



The Joint Committee for Defence and
Security of Parliamentary Assembly of B&H



Seminar on
Parliamentary Oversight of the Security Sector:
“Deployment of Armed Forces Abroad; Lessons Learned and Practical Experience
in South East Europe (SEE)”

14-15 June 2011
Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

DRAFT AGENDA

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The seminar is the continuation of the *Conference on Parliamentary Oversight of the Security Sector: “Positive Experiences and Examples of the Parliamentary Committees for Security in SEE”*, held in Sarajevo, June 2010.

The work on this seminar will be focused on the SEE experience in the field of deployment of Armed Forces abroad. The main areas of interest are as follows:

- Seminar as well as subsequent events of the kind should be considered “as a permanent forum of parliamentarians responsible for oversight of security sector thus supporting required security sector reform efforts at the legislative level”.
- National overviews of the history of deployment of armed forces in Peace Support Operations (PSO) as an excellent opportunity to get wider picture of the past and current efforts in SEE countries to contribute in different forms to PSO under the UN, NATO, EU or OSCE mandate.
- To present and to discuss different levels (executive and parliamentary) of national decision making procedures, mechanisms and practices in the field of deployment of armed forces abroad. *(Is there a practice that the Executive provide the summary of operation to relevant parliamentary committees? Were scrutiny mechanisms applied by committees before and/or after the deployment, and how?)*
- To discuss practices and possible establishment of the military ombudsman in parliaments of SEE countries.

Time	Event	Location
Monday, 13th June 2011		
-----	Arrival in Sarajevo	Hotel "Hollywood"
20.00 – 22.00	Welcome Dinner (Hosted by OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina) <i>Dress code: Jacket and Tie</i>	Hotel "Rimski most"

Tuesday, 14th June 2011		
08.00 - 0900	Transportation from Hotel "Hollywood" to the Parliament building	
09.00– 09.40	<p>OPENING SESSION Moderator: Mr. Branko KROMAR, M.Sc. PM SSR, RACVIAC-CSC</p> <p>Speaker 1: Mr. Milorad ŽIVKOVIĆ, Representative of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina Speaker 2 Ambassador Gary D. ROBBINS, Head of OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina Speaker 3: : Ambassador Nikola TODORČEVSKI, Director RACVIAC - CSC</p>	Parliament building – conference room
09.40-09.45	Stretch Break	
09.45 – 10.30	<p>KEYNOTE SPEECHES Moderator: Mr. Željko GRUBEŠIĆ, Expert-Advisor Joint Committee for Defence and security, Parliamentary Assembly Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Parliamentary Oversight of international missions. Challenges and good practices. Speaker: Ms. Teodora FUIOR, Project Coordinator, DCAF, Geneva</p> <p>National security under parliamentary scrutiny: conditions and mechanisms Speaker: Ms. Lada SADIKOVIĆ, PhD, Professor, University of Sarajevo</p>	Parliament building – conference room
10.30 – 11.00	Group Photo/Coffee Break/Press	Foyer

SESSION 1 – "Parliamentary Oversight of the Security Sector" Moderator : : Ms. Lada SADIKOVIĆ, PhD, Professor, University of Sarajevo		
11.00– 11.25	Challenges of the Parliamentary Oversight of the Security Sector as International Obligation Speaker: Mr. Dušan ZOLLER, Head of Parliamentary Section, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina	Parliament building – conference room
11.25 –11.50	Civil-military Relations – The EUFOR ALTHEA Experience Speaker: Col Franc SITZWOHL, Chief JMA, EUFOR ALTHEA	
11.50 –12.15	Defence reforms and its consequences on the civil-military co-operation Speaker: Mr. Rohan MAXWELL, Head of the Politico-Military Advisory Section, NATO HQ Sarajevo	
12.15 –13.00	Questions and Answers	
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	Restaurant – Parliament building
SESSION 2 – "Deployment of armed forces abroad" Moderator: Mr. Željko GRUBEŠIĆ, Parliamentary Assembly Bosnia and Herzegovina		
14.00-14.40	Peace Support Operations (PSO) and Missions Introduction: Legitimacy as essential condition for deployment of armed forces abroad Speakers: Mr. Heinz VETSCHERA, PhD, Academic Lecturer, PSOTC Butmir (BA) and Mr. Muhamed SMAJIĆ, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Sarajevo Mandates for PSO (UN, EU, NATO, OSCE, ...). Legislation and other regulation - implementation in practice. Procedures from the international levels (UN Resolutions, EU, NATO initiatives...) up to national level: (politico - DPD-MoD/MFA-Parliament and military level: AF/GS/).	Parliament building – conference room
14.40 - 16.30	National presentations - MoD /GS representatives Short historical overview-lessons learned and practical experiences on deployment of Armed Forces in Peace Support Operations (PSO) in SEE Countries thorough the period 2000-2011. Countries' presentations will be delivered in alphabetical order. Duration: 15 minutes	Parliament building – conference room
16.30- 17.00	Questions and Answers	
17.00 – 20.00	Transportation to the hotel - Time free	
20.00 – 22.00	Dinner (Hosted by OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina) Bus will be available in front of the Hotel "Hollywood" at 19.45 <i>Dress code: Casual</i>	Restaurant "Image"

Wednesday, 15th June 2011

SESSION 3 – “ Decision Making Procedures, Mechanisms and Practices in SEE countries”
Moderator: Zoran ŠAJINOVIĆ, Assistant Minister for International Cooperation, MoD Bosnia and Herzegovina

08.00 – 09.00	Transportation from Hotel “Hollywood” to the Parliament building	
09.00 –09.40	<p>Democratic Control of Armed Forces - The question of accountabilities and responsibilities</p> <p>Introduction: Mr. Beno ARNEJČIČ, PhD, Assistant Professor, Primorska University, Slovenia</p> <p>Civil Military Relations, Institutional level, Parliamentary oversight of the Security Sector with focus on Peace Support Operations (PSO). Accountabilities and responsibilities among the main actors/players in national decision making process.</p> <p>Democratic oversight and decision making procedures in the OSCE Countries</p> <p>Introduction: Ms. Laura FURUHOLM, OSCE, Vienna</p>	Parliament building – conference room
09.40-11.50	<p>National presentations:</p> <p>Lessons learned and practical experiences of Parliamentary Committees dealing with Security Issue in SEE</p> <p>Short overview on national legislation as a basis for decision making procedures. Mechanisms and practices in the field of deployment of armed forces abroad.</p> <p>Countries’ presentations will be delivered in alphabetical order.</p> <p>Duration: 15 minutes.</p>	Parliament building – conference room
11.50-12.15	Questions and answers	
12.15-12.45	Coffee Break	Foyer
12.45-13.05	<p>Moderator: Mr.Željko GRUBEŠIĆ, Parliamentary Assembly Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Institution and experience of the Ombudsman on human rights in the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Speaker: Mr. Boško ŠILJEGOVIĆ, Parliamentary Military Commissioner, Parliamentary Assembly Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>	Parliament building – conference room
13.05-13.30	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Speaker 1: Representative of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina – TBD</p> <p>Speaker 2: Ambassador Nikola TODORČEVSKI, Director RACVIAC - CSC</p>	Parliament building – conference room
13.30-14.30	Lunch	Restaurant - Parliament building
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