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On Organization of the Negotiating Process on the Pridnestrovian Settlement

Representatives on political issues of the participants of the Pridnestrovian settlement negotiation process from the Republic of Moldova, Pridnestrovie, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe adopted a decision on the establishment of the "Permanent Consultations on Political Issues in the Framework of the Pridnestrovian Settlement Negotiation Process" (Permanent Consultations) within existing five-sided format of negotiations.

Goals and objectives of this mechanism include the working out, coordination and record in the form of written agreements of specific parameters of the Final Document on a comprehensive resolution of the Pridnestrovian problem to be reported to the political leadership of the Sides for approval. At the same time, the possibility is envisaged for concluding partial, interim and temporary agreements providing that they should gradually form the abovementioned final document.

Meetings of the Permanent Consultations at the level of representatives on political issues are as a rule held at least once every two months either in Chisinau, Tiraspol, Moscow, Kiev, Vienna, or otherwise, by prior arrangement.

Meetings of field-specific experts of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie, together with representatives of the mediators from the Russian Federation, Ukraine and the OSCE are held twice a month, alternately in Chisinau and Tiraspol.

Agreements framed up at expert meetings are summarized at the next regular meeting of the Permanent Consultations for their subsequent possible inclusion in the final document on the Pridnestrovian settlement.

From the Republic of Moldova	From Pridnestrovie
In hand: Read and Understood 25.02.07	20.02.2002
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From the Russian Federation	From Ukraine	From the OSCE
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