

PROTOCOL

of the Meeting of the Permanent Conference on Political Issues in the Framework of the Pridnestrovian Settlement Negotiation Process

(Tiraspol-Kishinev, September 4-5, 2003)

1. Information on the work of the Joint Constitutional Commission presented by representatives of the parties in the Joint Constitutional Commission (the JCC) was heard and taken into account. Participants welcome the work conducted in framework of the Joint Constitutional Commission and call to sustain positive momentum in the work of the Commission.

2. Information of accredited representatives of the parties in the group of economic experts was heard and taken into account. Participants of the meeting expressed concern due to a long-term lack of progress in resolving issues in field of telecommunications. Participants called upon the parties to proceed with expert-level negotiations in order to resolve this issue in nearest possible time.

Participants of the meeting recommend the group of experts of the parties to immediately start working out the registration scheme for economic agents for the period since January 1, 2004 and the mechanism of cooperation in the banking sphere.

3. Participants of the meeting insist on implementation of agreements in the sphere of education fixed in the July 24-25, 2003 Protocol and call to take urgent measures to resume functioning of school Nr.12 in Rybnitsa since September 8, 2003.

4. Obligation of the Moldovan and Pridnestrovian parties to work out a mechanism of mutual recognition of acts of civil status and education certificates on the basis of Protocol of May 16, 2001 was supported.

5. In accordance with the Protocol of the Permanent Conference of July 30-31, 2003 the parties presented their proposals which can be used when preparing general political document. Discussion on possible provisions and contents of this document is initiated.

6. Intention of the Parties to conduct regular bilateral meetings on development of a general political document and on other issues was taken into account and supported.

7. Participants of the meeting supported intention of mediators to conduct a special meeting on preparation of draft general political document.

8. The next meeting of the Permanent Conference is scheduled to take place on October 1-2, 2003.

For the Republic of Moldova

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For Pridnestrovia

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For the OSCE

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For the Russian Federation

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For Ukraine

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