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

(Kishinev-Tiraspol, January 26-27, 2006)

1. The participants of the meeting listened to the information of representatives of
Ukraine and the Pridnestrovian side and discussed issues connected with implementation of
the Joint Statement of Prime Ministers of Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova from December
30, 2005 on the unification of customs procedures on the Ukraine-Moldova state border, and
also took into account Ukraine’s initiative to organize expert Ukraine-Moldova consultations
in Odessa involving experts, economic agents of Pridnestrovie starting from January 31, 2006
for the discussion of issues relating to implementation of the given Statement.

2. The participants of the meeting welcome work of the OSCE Mission to Moldova
and take into consideration draft mandate of the OSCE International Assessment Mission
to Pridnestrovie for the analysis of the situation and elaboration of recommendations on free
democratic elections to the Supreme Council of Pridnestrovie in the context of initiatives put
forwards by Ukraine’s President V. Yushenko.

3. The participants of the meeting welcome willingness of the Pridnestrovian side to
hold consultations with the participation of experts from Ukraine, Russian Federation and
the OSCE on data exchange between the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie on military
units and weapons as envisaged in the Protocol “A-1” of the package of draft documents “Arms
Control – Confidence and Security Building Measures in Moldova”.

4. The participants of the meeting noted that in pursuance of the protocol from December
16, 2005, the OSCE Mission to Moldova handed over draft protocol on the monitoring of facil-
ities of the Pridnestrovian military industrial complex on January 20 this year, and expressed
willingness to continue the expert work on the proposed draft and on the subject as a whole.

5. The participants of the meeting appreciated proposals “Joint Working Group –
Composition and Mission” developed by the OSCE Mission and submitted to the sides on
January 24, 2006. Mediators and observers called upon the sides to implement Paragraph 2
“Interim Measures” of the draft document by February 15, 2006 as a significant element for
resumption of the JCC regular work and will assist as much as possible in that. The participants
of the meeting believe that a number of issues can be resolved in the framework of experts
groups of the sides and proposed the sides to consider formation of such groups.

6. The sides and mediators agreed to hold the next meeting of the Permanent Conference
with participation of the EU and US representatives as observers on February 27-28, 2006 in
Tiraspol and Chisinau.

For the Republic of Moldova

For Pridnestrovie

For the OSCE

For the Russian Federation

For Ukraine

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