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All Yugoslav parties committed themselves to support the envisaged monitoring mission by, inter alia, providing full protection and guaranteed freedom of movement.

They all agreed that the protection of minority populations is critical to a successful outcome of the negotiations. They also reconfirmed that they will fully respect in this matter their commitments under International Law.

The European Troika is prepared to inform all the CSCE Participating States about developments in the negotiating process.

Annex I

FURTHER MODALITIES IN PREPARATION OF NEGOTIATIONS

I – Border regime:
Control of border crossings will be in the hands of Slovenian police. They will act in conformity with federal regulations.

II – Customs:
The agreement signed by the representatives of the federal government and the government of the Republic of Slovenia on June 20th 1991 is reconfirmed and shall be implemented. Custom duties shall remain a federal revenue and be collected by Slovenian custom officials. They shall be paid into a joint account to be controlled by the federal and republican ministers of finance plus one of two external controllers.

III – Air Traffic Control:
There is a single air traffic control for the whole of Yugoslavia. All domestic and international air traffic over Yugoslavia is controlled and guaranteed by the competent federal authority.

IV – Border security
The situation prevailing before June 25th 1991 shall be reestablished. Within the suspension period (of three months) negotiations shall be completed in order to ensure and orderly transfer of the competencies of the YNA in this field. A border regime based on European standards remains a firm objective.

V – Further modalities for the implementation of the cease-fire
- lifting of the blockade of YNA units and facilities
- unconditional return of YNA units to their barracks
- all roads to be cleared
- return of all facilities and equipment to YNA
- deactivation of territorial defence units and return to quarters.

All these measures shall be effective as soon as possible, but no later than July 8th at 24:00 hours.

VI – Prisoners
All prisoners detained in connection with hostilities since June 25th 1991 shall be released at the earliest but no later than July 8th at 24:00 hours. The International Red Cross should be associated with the implementation of this decision.

Glede na odločitev, sprejeto v Pragi v okviru KEVS, so se dogovorile, naj bi čimprej začela delovati opazovalna misija, ki bo prihajala pri ustalitvi prekinitve ognja in pri nadzoru nad urednjevanjem preostalih elementov sporazuma, ki so ga ob pomoči Evropske skupnosti med seboj sprejele jugoslovenske strani. Smernice, ki se nanašajo na pripravljeno misijo, so naštete v Prilogi II.


Vse jugoslovenske strani so se obvezale, da bodo načrtovani - opazovalni misij nedule podporo s tem, da bodu med drugim njenim članom nedule polno zaščito in jim zagotovile svobodo gibanja.

Vse so se -strinjale s tem, da je zaščita manjših bistvenega pomena za uspešen izid pogajanj. Poleg tega so ponovno zagotovile, da bodo polno spoštovali s tem v zvezi sprejete obveze, v skladu z mednarodnim pravom.

Evropska trojka je pripravljena obvestiti države, udeleženke KEVS, o poteku procesa pogajanj.

Priloga 1

NADALJNJE OBLIKE IN NAČINI URESNIČEVANJA PRI PRIPRAVI POGAJANJ

I – Režim na mejih:
Nadzor mejnih prehodov bo v rokah slovenske policije. Delovala bo v skladu z zveznimi predpisi.

II – Carine:

III – Nadzor zračnega prometa:

IV – Varnost meja:

V – Nadaljnjé oblike in načini izvajanja prekinitve ognja:
- odstranjev število blokad enot in objektov JLA,
- brezpogojna vrnitev enot JLA v njihove vojašnice,
- deblokada vseh cest,
- vrnitev vseh objektov in opreme JLA,
- deaktiviranje enot TO in vrnitev v prostore nastavitve.

Vsi naštevilci ukrepov začnejo veljati čimprej, vendar ne kasneje kot 8. 7. 1991 ob 24. uri.

VI – Ujetniki:
GUIDELINES FOR AN OBSERVER MISSION TO YUGOSLAVIA

Introduction

The situation in Yugoslavia is of concern to all CSCE Participating States. The Committee of Senior Officials meeting in Prague discussed the dispatch of a multinational Observer Mission into Yugoslavia. Obviously, such an Observer Mission can only operate with full consent of all Parties concerned. To ensure that the Observer Mission can fulfill its tasks, it is necessary to define its mandate and to determine its rights and duties. The financing of the operation and a number of practical aspects have to be decided upon. For this purpose, the following elements are suggested:

Mandate

An Observer Mission will be established with the objective to monitor the situation in Yugoslavia, in particular by monitoring activities in Slovenia – and possibly also Croatia. The aim of these activities is to monitor the implementation of the remaining elements of the agreement reached between Yugoslav parties with the contribution of the European Community.

Duration of the mandate

The Observer Mission should be able to take up its activities as soon as possible. The Observer Mission could continue its operation as long as this is deemed necessary by all Parties concerned.

Area of deployment

Under the current circumstances, the Observer Mission would geographically limit its activities to Slovenia, and possibly Croatia. If need arises, the area of deployment could be reviewed in agreement with all Parties concerned.

Composition and operation

The Observer Mission could be of mixed composition, i.e. both military and civilian personnel.

The Mission could consist of 30 to 50 people. Since it is important to act expeditiously as possible, selection of personnel should not be allowed to delay the beginning of the Observer Mission’s activities. A practical solution could be to recruit observers from the civilian and military members of the Vienna CSBM delegations where expertise of the CSCE process is available. They could be supplemented with other civilian and/or military officials.

The Mission would establish a Co-ordination Centre within Yugoslavia. From this Centre smaller units – of e.g. two men – would be deployed in different sectors. One liaison-officer of each of the opposing parties would be assigned to escort such observer units at all times.

Command structure and supervision

The observer units would work under the responsibility of the Head of the Observer Mission.

The Head of the Observer Mission would submit a daily report, through the Prague CSCE Secretariat, to the Committee of Senior Officials.

The Committee could be the appropriate venue to take stock of the activities of the Observer Mission and to decide on the prolongation of the mandate of the Mission, if this is necessary.

Legal arrangements

Legal arrangements would be necessary to ensure that the Observer Mission can carry out its tasks. These arrangements include provisions concerning diplomatic immunity as well as the freedom to travel and communicate freely within Yugoslavia, i.a. with the Co-ordination Centre and with Embassies.
Practical arrangements

Amongst the many practical arrangements to be decided upon are questions regarding the means of transport and interpretation services that will have to be made available to the observer units and the way in which the observers will identify and distinguish themselves as members of the CSCE Observer Mission.

Since the Observer Mission is not a peacemaking force, the observers would not carry arms.

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o ratificaciji Memoranduma o soglasju o opazovalni misiji v Jugoslaviji

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE MONITOR MISSION TO YUGOSLAVIA

Taking into account
- the decision of the Committee of Senior Officials of the Conference of Security and Co-operation in Europe to welcome the readiness of the European Community and its Member States, building on their initiatives, to organize a mission to help stabilize a cease-fire, to monitor the return of all armed forces to their previous positions and to monitor the suspension of the implementation of the declarations of independence, as well as to note the strong interest of the States participating in the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe to make a concrete contribution to resolution of the present Yugoslav crisis,
- the invitation by the Yugoslav authorities to the European Community and its Member States to organize such a mission, and
- the agreements reached at Brioni on July 7, 1991. The European Community and its Member States: Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and the United Kingdom and the Commission. Hereinafter called the Sending Parties, on the hand,
and
- The Federal Authorities of Yugoslavia
- And the Republics of Croatia and Slovenia,
Hereinafter called the Host Parties, on the other hand,

Together hereinafter called the Participating Parties. Recognizing the devastating consequences hostilities in Yugoslavia would have for all its inhabitants,
Aware of the serious impact hostilities in Yugoslavia could have on peace and security in Europe,

Determined to seek peaceful means of resolving the situation which currently separates the peoples of Yugoslavia,
Anxious to promote conditions to discourage new outbreaks of violence and bloodshed, and
Resolved to work together to contribute to the maintenance of peace and security and to open the way to negotiations on the future of Yugoslavia.

Reached the following understandings:

Praktična vprašanja

Med številnimi praktičnimi vprašanji, o katerih se je treba dogovoriti, se nekatera nanašajo na transport in prevajalske storitve tolačenja oz. prevajanja, ki jih bo treba zagotoviti opazovalnim enotam, kot tudi na način identificiranja opazovalcev in njihovo medaljsko obeležitev kot članov Opazovalne komisije KEVS.

Glede na to, da Opazovalna misija ni enota, zadolžena za ohranjanje miru, opazovalci ne bi nosili orožja.

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Besedilo Memoranduma v angleškem izvirniku in slovenskem prevodu se glasi:

MEMORANDUM O SOGLASJU O OPAZOVALNI MISJI V JUGOSLAVII

Ob upoštevanju

- odločitev odbora visokih uradnikov Konference o varnosti in sodelovanju v Evropi, ki pozdravlja pripravljenost Evropske skupnosti in njenih držav članic, in njegove pobude, da se pošlje misija, ki bo pomagala utrditi prekinitev oganja, opazovala vrnitev vseh oboroženih sil na njihove izhodiščne položaje in spremajala odložitev sreščevanja deklaracij o neodvisnosti, kakor tudi na podlagi podarjenega interesa držav udeležen Konference o varnosti in sodelovanju v Evropi za konkretno prispevek k rešitvi sedanje jugoslovenske krize,

- povabilo jugoslovenskih oblasti Evropski skupnosti in njenim državam člancem, naj pošljeno takšno misijo, ter


(v nadaljnjem besedilu: strani pošiljateljice) na eni strani

in

jugoslovenski zvezi organi
ter republiki Hrvaška in Slovenija
(v nadaljnjem besedilu: strani gostiteljice) na drugi strani

(v nadaljnjem besedilu skupno imenovane strani udeleženke)

priznavajoči univerzalne posledice sovražnosti v Jugoslaviji za vse njene prebivalce,

zavedajoč se resnih posledic sovražnosti v Jugoslaviji za mir in varnost v Evropi,

odločeni, da z mirmi sredstvi poštejo rešitev položaja, ki zdaj razdvaja narode Jugoslavije,

v želi, da vzpostavijo pogoje, ki bi onemogočili nove izbude nasilja in prelivanja krvi, ter

odločeni, da s skupnim delovanjem prispavajo k ohranitvi miru in varnosti in odpro pot pogajanjom o bodočnosti Jugoslavije,

sporazumi o naslednjem: