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Excellencies,

Dear Colleagues,

I have pleasure to circulate the letter of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine H.E. Leonid Kozhara regarding the OSCE Youth Summit to take place from 20 July to 1 August 2013 in Crimea, Ukraine.

Concept paper of the event and participants' application form are attached herewith. Please note that the deadline for the registration of participants is 1 June 2013.

The Chairmanship would kindly request the delegations to forward this letter to the respective authorities in due time.

Yours sincerely,

Ihor Prokopchuk

Ambassador.

Chairperson of the Permanent Council

All OSCE Delegations All Delegations of Partners for Co-operation OSCE Secretariat



Dear Colleague,

As the current OSCE Chairmanship, Ukraine attaches great importance to raising awareness of the OSCE activities among young people. Strengthening OSCE's efforts in promoting tolerance, mutual respect and understanding among young generation belongs to Chairmanship's priorities. We also acknowledge the valuable contribution youth can make in combating intolerance and discrimination.

In this regard the Ukrainian OSCE Chairmanship in cooperation with All-Ukrainian Charitable Foundation "Hope and Good" will host the OSCE Youth Summit taking place from 20 July to 1 August 2013 at the International Children's Resort "Artek" in Crimea, Ukraine.

The Summit is aimed at raising awareness among youth representatives from OSCE participating states of current security issues and challenges, as well as promoting principles of tolerance and non-discrimination among young generation. The Summit will be held in a unique youth environment providing for intercultural dialogue and sharing ideas of peaceful development and stability.

The OSCE Youth Summit agenda includes workshops, open debates, an awareness raising campaign, leisure time and off-site activities. The participation of the officials from the OSCE, its participating States, as well as experts and representatives of civil society is expected to contribute to a comprehensive exchange of thoughts with and among young participants.

I look forward to welcoming a youth delegation from your country at the OSCE Youth Summit and kindly ask you to bring this invitation to the attention of the authorities and institutions concerned (concept paper and participants' application forms are attached herewith).

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Sincerely,

Leonid KOZHARA
OSCE Chairperson-in-Office,
Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the OSCE participating States and OSCE Mediterranean and Asian Partners for Cooperation OSCE Secretary General