

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA CHAIRMAN NATOs Parlamentariske Forsamling NPA alm. del - Bilag 33 Offentlig

SOFIA, OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 2004

Dear Colleague,

With this letter, I would like to officially present to your kind attention the application of Mr. Stanimir Ilchev, Head of the Bulgarian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO, for the position of a Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO.

It is a matter of national pride to emphasize the fact that Bulgaria was the first country of the former socialist bloc to set up its national Atlantic club to promote the values of the Trans-Atlantic Alliance, and it was only in the year following the fall of the communist regime in Bulgaria that these values were voiced in the Bulgarian Parliament by the present Minister of Foreign Affairs of the country. Therefore, the candidacy is as much a personal ambition, as it reflects the desire of the people of my country to gain more of the well-deserved respect within the community of NATO member states.

In addition, I firmly believe that Bulgaria is still to play a vital role in making the whole Balkan region an area of increased security, co-operation and mutual understanding.

I avail myself of this opportunity to assure you in my highest esteem of you personally and of your country and remain trustful that you will consider the application of Mr. Ilchev and help us win the support for it of the members of your Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Ognyar

Mr. Christian Mejdahl President Folketinget of Denmark Copenhagen . *7* 

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# CURRICULUM VITAE

# STANIMIR YANKOV ILCHEV

PERSONAL INFORMATION	
Date and place of	birth 31 July 1953, Bourgas
Family status	married, two children
EDUCATION	
1974-1978	Graduated in TV Journalism, SU "St.Kliment Ohridski" Faculty of Journalism
1967-1972	English Language Secondary School, Bourgas
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
Since 2001	Member of Parliament elected from the National Movement Simeon the Second, 39-th National Assembly, 2001 – July 2003 - Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Policy, Defence and Security, Chairman of the Parliamentary Delegation at the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, July 2003 - Chairman of the Parliamentary Group of the National Movement Simeon the Second
1994-2001	Director of Department "University Relations - Europe"
Functions:	Relations with the media, coordination of publishing activities, development of short term and long-term PR programmes, participation in the work of the Administrative Council at the Council to the American University in Bulgaria President, chairing of the Academic Periodicals Commission. Relations with government and educational institutions in the Republic of Bulgaria, developing the contacts with the Balkan region academic structures – partners.
1991-1994	Director of Publishing House "Mladezh" Ltd.
Functions:	The usual ensuing from the annual publishing plan of average annual volume of 12-15 titles (fiction, poetry, documentaries)

1985-1991	Editor, Secretary–in-Chief of "Mladezh" magazine - a monthly on youth topics, sports, music, literature
Functions:	Writing, provision and editing of materials to be published in different genres, interaction with the printing sector, subject and financial planning.
1981-1985	Editor of "Krile (Wings)" magazine, a monthly on aviation and astronautics
Functions:	Writing, provision and editing of materials to be published in different genres for the needs of the Space Research Department
1980	Technical Assistant to the Union of Bulgarian
	Journalists programme "Courses for Young Reporters"
1979	Literary Assistant and Assistant Director at Bulgarian National TV Documentary Series Department

#### MILITARY SERVICE

1972-1974 CONSCRIPT MILITARY SERVICE: TRAINING AT THE MILITARY SCHOOL FOR RESERVE OFFICERS, PLEVEN; ACTIVE SERVICE – TANK REGIMENT, GROUDOVO

INTERESTS

International relations, politics, history, sociology

### PUBLICATIONS

More than 350 in the above-cited field and in the following editions (in addition to the above mentioned ones): "Otechestvo", "Nasha Rodina", "Letetzve A Kosmonautika" (Chechoslovakia), "Uchitelsko delo";

Newspapers: "ChernomorskiFront", "Labyrinth", "Fax", "Reporter7", "Demokratia", etc.

Participation in TV and radio broadcasts, seminars and round tables on national and international topics.



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Dear Colleague,

I would like to officially present to your kind attention my application for the position of a Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO.

I am convinced that a good many of my fellow NATO parliamentarians are worthy to be elected to that highly responsible position. It is not that my personal qualities only have led me dare stand for election. It is that I firmly believe that it must be given to a representative of the countries that joined NATO most recently.

As a Bulgarian representative to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO I would like to emphasize the fact that Bulgaria was the first country of the former socialist bloc to set up its national Atlantic club to promote the values of the Trans-Atlantic Alliance and it was only in the year following the fall of the communist regime in Bulgaria that these values were voiced in the Bulgarian Parliament by the present Minister of Foreign Affairs of the country. Therefore, it is as much a personal ambition, as it reflects the desire of my country to gain more of the well-deserved respect within the community of NATO member states.

In addition, I believe that Bulgaria is still to play a vital role in making the whole Balkan region an area of increased security, co-operation and mutual understanding.

I avail myself of this opportunity to assure you in my continuous high esteem of you and remain trustful that you will consider objectively and support my application.

Sincerely yours,

Stanimir Ilchev/

Head of the Bulgarian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO

Mr. Helge Adam Moller Head of the delegation of Denmark to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO Copenhagen