

The Secretary General

To: Heads of all OSCE PA Delegations CC: Secretaries of OSCE PA Delegations

Copenhagen, 28 November 2011

Dear Heads of Delegations,

The OSCE PA has been invited to observe the early parliamentary elections in Kazakhstan scheduled for 15 January 2012. President Petros Efthymiou has decided to deploy an Election Observation Mission to these elections.

Those interested in obtaining more information about this Election Observation Mission are asked to contact Senior Counsellor Semyon Dzakhaev, Programme Director Anna Chernova (anna@oscepa.dk) or Logistics Officer Iryna Sabashuk (iryna@oscepa.dk) at the International Secretariat.

Please find attached a registration and accreditation forms for Members wishing to observe this election. We kindly ask you to return the completed forms (please make sure to sign the accreditation form) along with a scanned copy of the Members' passport to the International Secretariat **before Thursday**, **5 January 2012**.

I would like to remind you that all observers are expected to arrive in Astana in time to attend the briefings on 13-14 January 2012, and stay for the observer debriefing on the morning of 16 January 2012.

We are working on logistical arrangements for this Mission, and we will provide you with more information, including on hotel accommodation as soon as possible.

I also wish to inform you that national parliaments are responsible for all expenses of their members and that all meetings and briefings will be conducted in English only.

Yours sincerely,

R. Spencer Oliver