



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

Copenhagen, 12 September 2014

Dear Heads of Delegations,

Parliamentary elections have been called in Ukraine for 26 October 2014, and following an invitation from the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, OSCE PA President Ilkka Kanerva has decided to deploy an Election Observation Mission to these important elections. President Kanerva has nominated Vice-President Kent Harstedt to serve as OSCE Special Co-ordinator and Vice-President Doris Barnett to serve as Head of the OSCE PA delegation for these elections.

Please find attached a registration form for Members wishing to observe the election in Ukraine. We kindly ask you to return the completed form with a copy of the photograph page from Members' passports to Operations Officer Iryna Sabashuk at the International Secretariat at (eom@oscepa.dk) as soon as possible, but no later than **10 October 2014**. Please note that due to registration procedures, we may not be able to accommodate those who register after the deadline.

To ensure geographical balance within the Assembly mission, each national delegation may nominate up to 10% of the entire participation. We therefore invite each national delegation to nominate up to 10 participants.

Further information, including a detailed programme, will be distributed to participants soon. Briefings for the mission are expected to be held 2-3 days before election day, and Members are reminded that in accordance with the OSCE PA's Astana Declaration of 2008, participants are expected to attend the full briefing programme as well as the de-briefing on the day following the election.

I wish to remind you that national parliaments are responsible for their Members' expenses and that only English interpretation will be provided in meetings and briefings.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andreas Baker', written over a horizontal line.

Andreas Baker
Director of Elections