

To: Heads of OSCE PA Delegations

CC: Secretaries of OSCE PA Delegations

8 October 2019

Dear Heads of Delegations,

Parliamentary elections will be held in Uzbekistan on 22 December 2019. The OSCE PA President, as announced to the OSCE PA Standing Committee on 5 October 2019 in Marrakech, has decided to deploy an Election Observation Mission to these important elections to work closely with the expected election observation mission of the OSCE/ODIHR.

In accordance with the attached OSCE PA Election Observation Guidelines, national Delegations wishing to nominate their members to participate in this mission are kindly asked to complete and return to the International Secretariat at (<u>eom@oscepa.dk</u>) as soon as possible, but no later than **Tuesday 19 November 2019** the following:

- 1. The Delegation Nomination Form,
- 2. An Individual Observer Nomination Form for each nominated observer,
- 3. A signed CEC Accreditation Form for each nominated observer,
- 4. A signed Statement of Nominated Election Observer for each nominated observer,
- 5. A signed Code of Conduct for each nominated observer,
- 6. A copy of the photograph page from each nominated observer's passport, and
- 7. A digital photo of each nominated observer.

Please note that in accordance with the Guidelines nominated observers are not part of an observation mission before they have been appointed by the OSCE PA President. The International Secretariat will communicate the list of observers to delegations that have forwarded nominations following appointment by the OSCE PA President. Due to registration procedures, we may not be able to accommodate those who register after the deadline.

Members are encouraged to consider observing with colleagues from other parliaments, to make a multi-national team. We also encourage Members of Parliament to consider deployment outside of the capital.

Further information, including a detailed programme, will be distributed to participants in due course. Briefings for the mission are expected to be held in Tashkent during the two days before election day, and Members are reminded that in accordance with the OSCE PA's Astana Declaration of 2008 and the Guidelines, participants are expected to attend the full briefing programme as well as the debriefing on the day following the election.

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

Yours sincerely,

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