

Copenhagen, 8 January 2019

Memorandum on the OSCE PA Observation of the Parliamentary Elections in MOLDOVA, 24 February 2019

Delegation

Parliamentary elections will be held in Moldova on 24 February 2019, and following an invitation, the OSCE PA will deploy an election observation mission to these elections.

We expect to have delegation of 50 (fifty) participants in this mission. To ensure geographical balance within the Assembly mission, we invite each national delegation to nominate up to 10% of the entire expected participation; given the current projection this would mean **five** participants per national delegation.

Members wishing to participate in this mission are kindly asked to return a completed registration form, as well as accreditation forms with a copy of the photograph page from Members' passports, a digital photo, and the completed Code of Conduct for OSCE PA Election Observers to the International Secretariat at (eom@oscepa.dk) by 1 February 2019.

Accommodation

Parliamentary briefings will be held in Chisinau on 22-23 February 2019. The Temporary OSCE PA Headquarters will be located in Chisinau as well. The International Secretariat of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly will distribute the details on the recommended hotel for accommodation in Chisinau as soon as possible.

Preliminary Programme

Friday, 22 February 2019

Morning Arrival of observers

15:00-15:30 Briefing on Mission for new OSCE PA observers (RSVP to iryna@oscepa.dk)

15:30-19:00 Parliamentary briefings

Saturday,23 February 2019

All Day Parliamentary briefings (cont.)

Meeting with Drivers and Interpreters

Sunday, 24 February 2019

All Day Observation at Polling Stations

Monday, 25 February 2019

08:00 De-Briefing for PA observers in Chisinau

Afternoon Press-Conference in Chisinau

Suggested departures of observers



Election Day and Deployment

On Election Day, Members will generally work in teams of two. We kindly ask to mark your preferences for the deployment in the registration form. The International Secretariat will try to take your preference into consideration while preparing the deployment plan for the Mission. Please note that additional locations may be suggested depending upon developments in coming weeks. Therefore, we ask observers NOT to make specific travel arrangements (transportation/hotels) within Moldova without first consulting with the International Secretariat. This will help to ensure balanced deployment coverage for the observation mission.

Interpreter / Driver on Election Day

Further information on arrangements for cars/drivers and interpreters for our teams for Election Day will be communicated in due time. Please let the Secretariat know if your Embassy in Moldova will provide Members with a car or/and an interpreter during the Election Day.

Visa Information

We strongly advise observers to apply and obtain a visa well in advance of departing for Moldova by contacting the relevant consulate. Attached is the invitation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, welcoming an observation mission.

We would like to remind you that national parliaments are responsible for their own Member's expenses, including any hotel cancellations. We also urge Members to have health and travel insurance that is valid in Moldova.