

Copenhagen, February 5, 2019

Memorandum on the OSCE PA Observation of the Presidential Election in UKRAINE, 31 March 2019

Delegation

Presidential election will be held in Ukraine on 31 March 2019.

OSCE PA members wishing to participate in this mission are kindly asked to return a **completed registration form**, as well as an **accreditation form** with a copy of the photograph page from Members' passports, a digital photo, and the signed Code of Conduct for OSCE PA Election Observers to the International Secretariat at (eom@oscepa.dk) by 21 February 2019.

For further information, please see the invitation.

Accommodation

Parliamentary briefings will be held in Kyiv on 29-30 March 2019. The temporary OSCE PA EOM Headquarters will be located in Kyiv as well. The International Secretariat of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly will distribute the details on the recommended hotels for accommodation in Kyiv as soon as possible.

Preliminary Programme

Thursday, 28 March 2019

All Day Arrival of observers

Friday, 29 March 2019

12:00-12:30 Briefing on Mission for new OSCE PA observers (RSVP to eom@oscepa.dk)

12:30-19:00 Parliamentary briefings

Saturday, 30 March 2019

All Day Parliamentary briefings (cont.)

Meeting with Drivers and Interpreters

Deployment to Regions

Sunday, 31 March 2019

All Day Observation at Polling Stations

Monday, 1 April 2019

08:00 De-Briefing for PA observers in Kyiv

Afternoon Press-Conference in Kyiv

Suggested departures of observers



If a second round takes place, the program will most probably be as follows:

Friday, 19 April

All day Arrival of observers

Saturday, 20 April 2019

tbc Additional briefings

Deployment

Sunday, 21 April 2019

All day Observation

Monday, 22 April 2019

tbc Press conference

Departure

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 setting up the regional team and 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 Ukraine 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 Ukraine 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 Ukraine by contacting the relevant consulate. Attached is the invitation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, welcoming an observation mission.

Debriefing and Departures

Please note while making your travel arrangements that de-briefing via phone or to regional coordinators on the ground may be possible for those observers deployed outside Kyiv area. 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 Ukraine.