



**PERMANENT DELEGATION  
OF NORWAY TO THE OSCE**

**STATEMENT BY NORWAY IN RESPONSE TO THE REPORT  
BY H.E. DR. MIOMIR ŽUŽUL, PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE ON THE  
MISSILE INCIDENT IN GEORGIA ON 6 AUGUST 2007**

**OSCE Permanent Council, Vienna  
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Thank you Mr. Chairman,

Like other delegations, Norway welcomes Personal Representative of the Chairman-in-Office, Mr. Miomir Žužul to the Permanent Council. We have listened with interest to his report on the missile incident in Georgia on 6 August 2007.

Mr. Chairman,

Norway is concerned about the incident on 6 August, which was reported to involve the violation of Georgian airspace and the launching of a missile onto Georgian territory. Norway would like to reiterate its firm commitment to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia within its internationally recognized borders.

We believe the OSCE is the proper framework for finding a solution to this issue. We have taken note of Dr. Žužul's concrete proposals and recommendations and look forward to their implementation. We appeal to all parties to contribute constructively to this process.

Preventive diplomacy is at the heart of the OSCE's mission. The incident in Georgia is yet another reminder of how fragile the situation in the Caucasus is. Finding solutions to the protracted conflicts in the Caucasus remains of great significance for achieving sustainable regional stability. Norway shares the opinion of the European Union that the missile incident yet again demonstrates the need for a speedy agreement on deploying more OSCE military observers in the zone of conflict.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman