

## **Chairperson's Statement On Annual Exchange Of List Of Designated Personnel**

In accordance with the Treaty on Open Skies, Articles XI and XIII, and the Chairman's Statement of 18 February 2002, States Parties have exchanged notifications on the initial list of designated personnel (Format OSF 18).

In order to ensure all States Parties are able to maintain current lists of designated personnel, the Chair recommends the following procedures:

1. States Parties may provide updates to the list of designated personnel using Format OSF 19 every six months, publishing the OSF 19 prior to 1 March and 1 September each year.
2. Annually no later than 15 May, States Parties will publish, using Format OSF 18, an original consolidated list of designated personnel. This list will include all changes that have been notified and accepted since the submission of the previous consolidated list. As an exception, States Parties will publish an original consolidated list (OSF 18) for 2003 not later than 31 May 2003.
3. As is current OSCE Communications Network practice, States Parties may issue a corrected notification should information on the original OSF 18 or OSF 19 need to be updated or clarified (new passport number or minor typographical errors). As these notifications tend to be lengthy, it is recommended to identify the correction references in the remarks section. If the correction pertains to an individual(s) who will be participating in an upcoming Treaty mission, the correction should also be highlighted on the Format OSF 12 with an explanation of the correction in the remarks section. Use of a Format OSF 35 for correcting these minor errors is not recommended, as it has proven difficult to track such corrections.
4. States Parties may provide their consolidated list of designated personnel (OSF 18) through the OSCE Communications Network and/or through diplomatic channels in Vienna, including CD-ROM. For practical reasons, States Parties are encouraged to exchange their consolidated list of designated personnel through the OSCE Communications Network.