

The President

Mr. Pascal Allizard
Deputy Head of the French Delegation
to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
Senate of the French Republic
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Dear Mr. Allizard,

I would like to thank you for your participation in our 2017 Annual Session and for the interest you expressed regarding the Mediterranean region. As you know, our Parliamentary Assembly has had no Special Representative on Mediterranean Affairs since the recent departure of your former colleague Mr. Michel Voisin.

It is therefore my pleasure to appoint you as Special Representative on Mediterranean Affairs until the end of our Annual Session in Berlin (July 2018) on the basis of the following mandate:

- Enhance the Mediterranean dimension of the Assembly's work, given that European security is directly linked to security and stability in the Mediterranean region;
- Maintain contacts with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation and participate in events related to supporting relations between the Mediterranean area and the OSCE area;
- Encourage meetings and exchanges with the OSCE Contact Group with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation, participate in the OSCE's annual Mediterranean Conference on behalf of the Assembly and conduct ad hoc visits when possible to Mediterranean Partner countries;
- Consider ways to strengthen the role of the Assembly's Mediterranean Forum;
- Consider instruments for stimulating the organization of a Mediterranean Forum under the auspices of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly;
- Report regularly on developments in the region, including on opportunities for improved co-operation.

The focal point on Mediterranean Affairs at the International Secretariat is Deputy Secretary General Gustavo Pallares (gustavo@oscepa.dk, +45 40 30 94 45). As with other OSCE PA activities, the French Parliament is expected to provide you with the necessary financial and logistical support for this appointment.

Yours sincerely,



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President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly