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PRESS RELEASE ON THE MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE OF THE BSEC PERMIS SECRETARY GENERAL TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY

Following the atrocious terrorist act of last Saturday 10 October 2015 in Ankara, the Secretary General of the BSEC PERMIS Ambassador Michael B. CHRISTIDES sent the following message to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey H.E. Mr. Feridun SINIRLIOGLU:

"Excellency,

On behalf of all the members of the Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS) of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organisation (BSEC) I wish to convey to You our absolute indignation and outrage, with which we condemn the horrendous terrorist act in Ankara, which cost the life of so many innocent people! Our hearts and minds reach out to the mourning relatives of the victims and we pray to God that they may find solace and peace in their souls!

Excellency, kindly convey to the bereaved families and to the brave Turkish people our heartfelt compassion and our sincerest condolences.

I wish to inform You, Excellency, that the flags of the BSEC Organisation and of all its Member States are flying at half-mast in our premises in Istanbul, as a token of solemn participation in the national mourning of our Host Country Turkey.

Excellency, I avail myself of this tragic opportunity to renew to You the assurance of my highest consideration, Sincerely,

Ambassador Michael B. CHRISTIDES."