

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY THE DELEGATIONS OF BELGIUM,
CANADA, DENMARK, FRANCE, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
GERMANY, GREECE, ICELAND, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG,
NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, PORTUGAL, SPAIN, TURKEY,
UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Confidence- and Security-Building Measures (CSBMs)

- Recalling that the Conference on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures and Disarmament in Europe is an integral part of the process initiated by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and that, according to the Madrid Concluding Document, the objective of the first stage of the Conference is to adopt a set of mutually complementary confidence- and security-building measures;
- The above-named States are determined to work for the adoption of measures that would create greater openness and more predictability in military activities in order to reduce the risk of surprise attack, diminish the threat of armed conflict in Europe resulting from misunderstanding and miscalculation and inhibit the use of force for the purpose of political intimidation;
- Implementation and verification of such measures, as well as respect for existing international commitments, would enhance stability, contribute to the preservation of peace and could open up prospects for new progress in disarmament;
- With these goals in mind and in conformity with the mandate for the Conference the above-mentioned States propose the following confidence- and security-building measures:

I. MEASURES OF INFORMATION

Measure 1: Exchange of Military Information

At the start of each calendar year, the participating States agree to exchange information on the structure of their ground forces and land-based air forces in the zone of application for agreed CSBMs as agreed in the mandate for the Conference.

Information will also be given on the existing regulations in the CDE zone for accredited military personnel.

Clarification of information may be sought by appropriate means.

The information thus exchanged will form a basis for further measures dealing with military activities.