

**STATEMENT BY TURKEY****2013 OSCE Human Dimension Seminar****13-15 May 2013, Warsaw
(Closing Plenary Session)**

Thank you very much, Mr. Moderator,

We would like to join previous speakers in expressing our gratitude to the ODIHR, the Representative on Freedom of the Media and her able team, as well as the Ukrainian Chairmanship for organizing this year's Human Dimension Seminar on Media Freedom Legal Framework. Thanks to their efforts this important event can be considered a success and will contribute to the strengthening of our commitments on media freedom. We were pleased to participate in the Seminar and share our views.

We duly note the issues that were raised concerning Turkey. We once again emphasize our full commitment to the principles of freedom of expression and freedom of the media. The suggestions made in this context will certainly be taken into account by our authorities and implemented where appropriate. Full compliance with all the instruments which cover these fundamental freedoms, including the relevant OSCE commitments, is a goal towards which we believe all participating States should strive.

Thank you.