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International Forum for the development of Parliamentarism

State Duma of the Federation Assembly of the Russian Federation

Following the invitation of the Chairman of the Russian State Duma Mr. Vyacheslav Volodin the I.A.O. Secretary General Mr. Andreas Michailidis, MP participated at the Forum representing the Speaker of the Hellenic Parliament, as well as in his capacity as head of the I.A.O. delegation. Addressing the Forum Mr. Michailidis said inter-alia: "...Strengthening of parliamentary discourse, in my view, can also contribute decisively in mutual understanding among people with different cultural origins. Parliamentary discourse, independent and free of any burden, especially, promotes and confirms key values and principles of the democratic regime: dialogue, argumentation, rationalism, commitment to the common affairs, priority to collective interest...". Parliamentary delegations and distinguished personalities from around the world were invited and participated to the International Forum.