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## CENTRAL EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL OBSERVATION MISSION RELEASES ELECTION STATEMENT

### NOTES “SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN ELECTORAL PROCESS,” BUT NOTES REMAINING PROCEDURAL CONCERNS

KYIV, UKRAINE – Peter Novotny, Head of The European Network of Election Monitoring Organizations (ENEMO) today said that Ukraine’s December 26 revote of its presidential runoff was “peaceful, better organized than previous rounds and generally free of fraud.”

Novotny commended the Central Election Commission for “implementing a difficult election in a generally free, transparent and accountable manner.” He noted, “Although ENEMO observers noted concerns about certain procedural issues, the violence, intimidation and large scale manipulations of mobile and absentee voting we saw on November 21 were generally absent. The conduct of this election in such a short time frame is a testimony to the excellent work of election commissioners, campaign workers for both candidates, and most of all, the Ukrainian people who demanded government accountability.”

Novotny noted that the most important problems identified by observers on December 26 dealt with questionable applications for mobile voting and voter list irregularities. He urged lawmakers to enact electoral provisions to eliminate any remaining possibility of fraud connected to the lists or mobile voting. He also urged lawmakers to enact provisions to guard against pressure on state workers and students, as identified by observers in all electoral rounds, including the revote.

ENEMO will release its report on the December 26 revote at a press conference on Tuesday, November 28 at 11 AM at the UNIAN Press Center. ENEMO is an association of civic organizations from 16 countries of the former Soviet Union and Central Europe. The group deployed more than 1,000 observers on December 26 and November 21, and has had long-term observers throughout the country since October 15.

**WHAT:** Release of Report on December 26 Election  
**WHO:** European Network of Election Monitoring Organizations  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, December 28, 11 AM  
**WHERE:** UNIAN PRESS CENTER