

## **Human Dimension Implementation Meeting Warsaw 2008**

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# 3rd DAY OF THE HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

#### Working session 4 (open)

1. Date: Wednesday, 1 October 2008

Opened: 10.05 a.m. Closed: 1 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. Z. Lasocik (Member of the United Nations Subcommittee on

Prevention of Torture) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

RULE OF LAW II, INCLUDING

- Exchange of views on the question of abolition of capital punishment
- Prevention of torture
- Protection of human rights and fighting terrorism

ODIHR, Moderator, Denmark (also on behalf of the European Union), NGO "Paralaks", United States of America, Turkmenistan Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Sweden, World Organization Against Torture, Russian Federation, Penal Reform International (Regional office), Kazakhstan, American Civil Liberties Union, Tajikistan, Bureau of Human Rights, Belarus, Council of Europe, Ukraine, Office of the Commissioner for Civil Rights Protection of the Republic of Poland, Uzbekistan, Voice of Beslan, Azerbaijan, Regional Public Organization of the Assistance of the Defence of the Rights of the Suffered from the Terror Act "Volga-Don", Armenia, Amnesty International, Committee Against Torture, International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims, Kazakhstan International Bureau for Human Rights and Rule of Law, Charter for Human Rights, Organization of the Macedonian Minority in Greece, Open Society Justice Initiative, Home of Macedonian Culture, United Macedonian Organization, NGO "Hands off Cain",

Italian Helsinki Committee, "Ezgulik" Human Rights Society of Uzbekistan, People's Party "Alga!", German-Caucasian Society, Baltic Chechen Society

Right of Reply: Kazakhstan, Bulgaria, Poland

#### 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Wednesday, 1 October 2008, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall

#### Working session 5 (open)

1. Date: Wednesday, 1 October 2008

Opened: 3.05 p.m. Closed: 6 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. M. Kjærum (Director of the European Union Agency for

Fundamental Rights) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

#### TOLERANCE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION I, INCLUDING

- Address by the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
- National minorities
- Preventing aggressive nationalism, racism and chauvinism
- Follow-up to the 29–30 May 2008 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on National Institutions against Discrimination in Combating Racism and Xenophobia with a Special Focus on Persons Belonging to National Minorities and Migrants.

ODIHR, Moderator, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities, Poland (also on behalf of the European Union), SOVA Centre, International Association of Independent Democrats against Authoritarian Regimes, United States of America, Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, National Association of Political Scientists of Tajikistan, Council of Europe, Western Thrace Minority University Graduates Association, Tajikistan, Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe, Home of Macedonian Culture, Public Movement "Multinational Georgia", Minority Rights Group International, Rainbow Organization of the Macedonian Minority in Greece, Centre for Peace, Legal Advice and Psychosocial Assistance, Constantinopolitan Society, Latvian Human Rights Committee, Canada, United Macedonian Organization NGO "Ilinden", Russian Federation; Culture, Art and Sport Association "Gercek"; Norway, Belarus, Human Rights First, Ukraine, Albania, Kazakhstan, Non-Discrimination Coalition of Moldova, Pavee Point, Public Defender of Georgia

Right of Reply: Croatia, Latvia, Greece, Ukraine, Estonia, Uzbekistan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

### 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 2 October 2008, at 9 a.m., in the plenary hall