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MG-S-ROM (2010)15 prov

**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON ROMA AND TRAVELLERS**  
**(MG-S-ROM)**

*30<sup>th</sup> Meeting*

*Hotel Scandic,  
Wrocław, Poland*

**20-21 October 2010**

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**DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

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**Note: participants are kindly reminded that oral presentations should not exceed 5 minutes unless indicated otherwise by the Chair. Participants are welcome to submit longer written presentations which will be annexed to the MG-S-ROM meeting report.**

Wednesday, 20 October 2010

9h00-9h30: Registration of participants of the **30<sup>th</sup> MG-S-ROM MEETING**

9h30-9h45:

**I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

[Agenda of the 30<sup>th</sup> meeting MG-S-ROM (2010)15; Abridged Report of the 29<sup>th</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting (2010)13]

- a) **The Chair** opens the 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee and welcomes all participants.
- b) **The Chair** invites the Committee to adopt the agenda for the meeting [MG-S-ROM (2010)15] and the meeting report of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting [document MG-S-ROM (2010)13] and its Addendum [MG-S-ROM(2010)13 Add - written contributions submitted at the 29<sup>th</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting].

9h45-10h00:

**II. PRESENTATION OF NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE**

[New draft ToRs; CM Resolution Res(2005)47 on Committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods]

- a) **The Secretariat** presents new draft Terms of Reference of a Steering Committee on Roma and Traveller Issues (CDROM) replacing the ToRs of the MG-S-ROM.
- b) **Questions and answers.**
- c) **The Committee takes note** of the new draft ToRs.

10h00-10h30:

**III. EMPLOYMENT**

[MG-S-ROM (2010)17 prov Implementation report of Recommendation Rec.(2001)17 on improving the economic and employment situation of Roma/Gypsies and Travellers in Europe]

- a) **The Chair, Ms. Louiza Kyriakaki (Greece)**, presents the implementation report on Recommendation (2001)17 following written contributions received from MG-S-ROM members and observers.
- b) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- c) **Possible adoption by the MG-S-ROM of the implementation report of Recommendation (2001)17.**

10h30-10h45: Coffee break

10h45-11h15:

**IV. COMMENTS ON PACE RECOMMENDATION 1924 (2010) ON THE SITUATION OF ROMA IN EUROPE**

[PACE document 1274 Mr. József Berényi's report on the situation of Roma in Europe and relevant activities of the Council of Europe; PACE Recommendation 1924 (2010); PACE Resolution 1740 (2010); MG-S-ROM (2010)19 Opinion of the MG-S-ROM on PACE Recommendation 1924 (2010)]

- a) **The Secretariat introduces** PACE Recommendation 1924 (2010), as well as written comments already received from MG-S-ROM members. A common MG-S-ROM reply is proposed for adoption.
- b) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- c) **Possible adoption by the MG-S-ROM of a joint Opinion on PACE Recommendation 1924 (2010).**

11h15-12h30:

**V. POLICIES TOWARDS ROMA, SINTI AND TRAVELLERS: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS** **[Note: oral presentations should not exceed 15 minutes each]**

[CM Recommendation Rec.(2008)5 on policies towards Roma and/or Travellers in Europe; written presentations submitted by speakers; Secretariat overview document on national policies/strategies/action plans for Roma and/or Travellers]

- a) **Ms. Tjaša Plohl (Slovenia)** presents the newly adopted National Programme of Measures for Roma for the period 2010-2015.
- b) **Mr. Henry Hedman (Finland)** presents the first newly adopted National Programme for Finnish Roma.
- c) **Mr. Nicolae Radița (Moldova)** presents the situation of Roma in Moldova, the national policy towards Roma, as well as future plans for the adoption of a new governmental Action Plan for Roma
- d) **Mr. Göran Johansson** presents the conclusions of the **Swedish Delegation on Roma Issues.**
- e) **Mr. Vadim Bariev**, Vice-President of the **Federal National Cultural Autonomy of Russian Roma** presents his views about the situation of Russian Roma.
- f) **Comments, questions and answers.**

12h30-14h00: Lunch break

14h00-15h00:

**CONTINUATION OF ITEM V. POLICIES TOWARDS ROMA, SINTI AND TRAVELLERS: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

- g) **The Secretariat presents** an overview document highlighting the existing national programmes, strategies or action plans for Roma and/or Travellers in member states, the thematic chapters covered by these programmes, as well as the monitoring and financing procedures and the mechanism of adoption of such a document.
- h) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- i) **The Committee decides** whether it should draft an Opinion on the implementation of CM Recommendation (2008)5 on Policies towards Roma and/or Travellers in Europe or an explanatory memorandum.

15h00-15h45:

**VI. FEEDBACK OF PREVIOUS TWO DAYS AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS TO POLISH AUTHORITIES**

- a) **Mrs. Małgorzata Różycka (Poland) presents** a summary of presentations made at the Symposium and of the field visit to Roma communities.
- b) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- c) **Possible recommendations by the MG-S-ROM to the Polish authorities regarding their policy towards Roma.**

15h45-16h15: Coffee break

16h15-17h30:

## **VII. MIGRATION AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT**

[joint HRC / OSCE-HCNM study entitled “Recent Migration of Roma in Europe”; MG-S-ROM (2010)14 prov draft MG-S-ROM Opinion on Roma migration and freedom of movement];

- a) **Mr. Henry Scicluna, Council of Europe Coordinator for Roma-related activities,** presents an overview of recent developments in Europe regarding Roma migration and freedom of movement. He presents a draft Opinion on Roma migration and freedom of movement based on the joint HRC/OSCE-HCNM study entitled “Recent Migration of Roma in Europe”, conclusions of the joint FRA/CoE/OSCE Conference on Roma migration and freedom of movement held in Vienna on 9-10 November 2009 and proposals made by the CoE Roma and Travellers Division at the above-mentioned Vienna Conference.
- e) **Comments, questions and answers. Discussion about the draft Opinion and drafting of the Opinion.**
- f) **Possible adoption by the Committee of the Opinion on Roma migration and freedom of movement.**
- g) **Proposals for possible (joint) action** to be taken by the MG-S-ROM and observers (international organisations) in this area.

17h30: Close of the first day session.

Evening: Dinner offered by the host country.

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## **Thursday, 21 October 2010**

9h00-10h00:

## **VIII. ID DOCUMENTS, RETURN AND ISSUES RELATED TO ASYLUM**

[Conclusions of the Skopje Conference; PACE Report on Roma asylum seeker in Europe (Mr. Milorad Pupovac’s report)]

- a) **Mrs. Mabera Kamberi (“the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”)** presents the conclusions of the Regional Conference on “*Providing access of Roma to personal identification documents: a regional challenge*”, which also addressed issues related to Roma asylum seekers and returnees to Kosovo<sup>1</sup>, organised under the current Chairmanship of the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers and in the framework of the Dosta! campaign (Skopje, 14-15 June).

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<sup>1</sup> All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

- b) **Mr. Henry Scicluna, Council of Europe Co-ordinator for Roma and Traveller related activities**, presents the main conclusions of the PACE Report on Roma asylum seeker in Europe (Mr. Milorad Pupovac's report), and of the Commissioner for Human Rights' visit to Kosovo.
- i) **Mr. Detlev Boeing from DG Enlargement of the European Commission (to be confirmed)** informs the Committee about the implementation of EU funded Roma projects in Kosovo.
- k) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- l) **Proposals for possible (joint) action to be taken by the MG-S-ROM and observers (international organisations) in this area.**

10h00-10h30:

#### VIII. ROMA POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

[presentation by Serbia]

- a) **The Secretariat** informs the Committee about developments concerning the Overview on the participation of Roma and Travellers in decision-making processes.
- b) **Mr. Petar Antić (Serbia)** presents the national minority (including Roma) councils in Serbia
- c) **Comments, questions and answers..**

10h30-11h00: Coffee break

11h00-12h00:

#### IX. DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE DOSTA! CAMPAIGN: ASSESSING THE IMPACT

- a) **The Secretariat** informs the Committee about recent developments concerning the Dosta! Campaign and summarizes on behalf of Pietro Vulpiani (Italy) the past and future Dosta! activities in Italy.
- b) **Mrs. Tjaša Plohl (Slovenia)** updates the Committee about Dosta! activities in Slovenia.
- c) **Mrs. Elitsa Slavcheva (Bulgaria)** updates the Committee about Dosta! activities in Slovenia.
- d) **Any additional interventions** regarding future launches/plans concerning awareness-raising campaigns (Dosta! and others).
- e) **Discussion on how assessing the impact of campaigns.** Examples. Suggestions.

12h00-12h45:

#### X. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

[Overview of CoE Roma and Traveller-related activities between October 2009 and October 2010; 2321 and 2323 logframes for voluntary contributions; MG-S-ROM (2010)16 prov Contributions submitted from participants; CoE publication "The Council of Europe and Roma: 40 years of action"]

**Note: Presentations should remain concise. More detailed information can be circulated in writing for distribution.**

- a) **The Secretariat** informs the participants about any additional Roma-related developments and activities at the level of the Council of Europe, in particular in the light of the High Level Meeting on Roma (Strasbourg, 20 October 2010).
- b) **Mr. May Bittel from the European Roma and Travellers Forum (ERTF)** informs the Committee about recent ERTF activities or initiatives.
- c) **Mr. Adem Ademi (Roma Decade Secretariat)**, summarizes developments concerning the Roma Decade under the Slovak presidency.
- d) **Mr. Martin Martinek (Czech Republic)**, informs the Committee about the priorities of the forthcoming Czech presidency of the Roma Decade and reports about the last meeting of the International Steering Committee of the Roma Decade.
- e) **Any other interventions from MG-S-ROM members and participants.**
- f) **Comments, questions and answers.**
- g) **Proposals for possible (joint) action(s) to be taken by the MG-S-ROM.**

12h45-13h00:

**XI. ADOPTION OF THE LIST OF DECISIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

[MG-S-ROM(2010)18 List of decisions adopted at the 30<sup>th</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting]

- a) List of decisions and agenda of the next meeting
  - **The Secretariat** presents the list of decisions adopted by the Committee during the meeting and summarizes the items that will be on the agenda of the next meeting, as proposed by the Committee members.
  - **Adoption by the Committee of the list of decisions.**
- b) Dates and venue of the next meetings
  - **The Committee** fixes the dates of the 31<sup>st</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting to be held in Strasbourg.
  - **Mr. Ahmet Gökhan Kaynakci (Turkey)** informs the Committee about the plans for the 32<sup>nd</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting.

13h00: **Close of the 30<sup>th</sup> MG-S-ROM meeting.**

13h00-14h00: Lunch break

Departure of participants on 21 or 22 October 2010.

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