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# COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS FOR THE PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES

(DH-MIN)

1rst Meeting 23-27 November 1992 Palais of Europe, Strasbourg Room 9

#### Draft agenda

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Adoption of the agenda

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3. <u>Consideration of the terms of reference</u> of the DH-MIN Committee

- Terms of reference of the DH-MIN

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- Extracts of the 32nd meeting of the CDDH (May 1992) and of the 39th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (September 1992)

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- Extract of the 33th meeting of the CDDH (October 1992)

 Comparative list of minority rights adopted or proposed within of the UNO, the CSCE and the Council of Europe [DH-MIN (92) 3]

- 4. <u>Possibility of formulating specific legal standards</u> relating to the protection of national minorities
  - a. General exchange of views
  - b. Consideration of proposals refered to in the terms of reference of the DH-MIN and others
  - c. Orientation and organisation of the work of the Committee

#### Working documents

### i. Council of Europe

- Final activity report on the protection of national minorities for the attention of the Committee of Ministers

[CDDH (92) 9, Addendum]

 List of international instruments of relevance to the protection of national minorities prepared by the CDDH [CDDH (92) 9, Addendum, Appendix III]

- Proposal for a European Convention for the protection of minorities and explanatory report prepared by the European Commission for Democracy through Law

CDL (91) 7 and 8

- European Convention entitled on European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages
- Draft protocol to the European Convention on Human Rights guaranteeing the protection of ethnic groups prepared by Austria and distributed at the 89th Session (26 November 1991) of the Committee of Ministers

[CDDH (91) 46]

- Informal working paper on protection of national minorities presented by the Swedish member of CDDH at the January 1992 extraordinary meeting of the CDDH

[CDDH (92) 3]

- Informal working paper on protection of national minorities presented by the German member of CDDH at the January 1992 extraordinary meeting of the CDDH

[CDDH (92) 4]

- Report on rights of minorities of the Committee of experts on human rights adopted on 9 November 1973 for the attention of Committee of Ministers

[DH/Exp (73) 47]

- Recommendation 1134 (1990) of the Parliamentary Assembly on the rights of minorities and Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights [Rec. 1134 (1990) and Doc. 6294]

- Recommendation 1177 (1992) of the Parliamentary Assembly on the rights of minorities and Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights [Rec. 1177 (1992) and Doc. 6556]

- Contribution of the Council of Europe to the CSCE meeting of experts on national minorities (Geneva, 1-9 July 1992)
- Contribution of the Council of Europe to the Moscow meeting on the Conference on the Human Dimension of the CSCE (10 September-4 October 1991)
- Case law of the European Commission and Court of Human Rights, memorandum prepared by the Secretariat of the European Commission of Human rights

[AS/Jur (43) 27 rev.]

- Report on "Equality and non-discrimination: minority rights" presented by Mr Alfredsson at the 7th International Colloquy on the European Convention on Human Rights (30 May-2 June 1990)

[H/Coll (90) 6]

- Discussion paper presented on human rights, fundamental freedoms and the rights of minorities: essential components of democracy presented by Mr Alfredsson to the Strasbourg Conference on Parliamentary Democracy (16-18 September 1991)

[SXB/Conf. (III) 8]

#### ii. <u>CSCE</u>

- Document of the Copenhagen meeting of the Conference on the human dimension of the CSCE (5-29 June 1989)
- Charter of Paris for a new Europe adopted at the meeting of Heads of States or Governments of the CSCE (Paris, 19-21 November 1990)

- Report of the CSCE meeting of experts on national minorities (Geneva, 1-19 July 1991)
- Document of the Moscow meeting of the Conference on the human dimension of the CSCE (10 September-4 October 1991)
- Document of the Summit of Helsinki (Helsinki, 9-10 July 1992)

## iii. United Nations

- Possible ways and means of facilitating the peaceful and constructive solution of problems involving minorities - Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Preliminary report submitted by Mr Eide (Norway)

[E/CN.4/Sub.2/1991/43 24 June 1991 E/CN.4/Sub.2/1992/37

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- Draft Declaration on the rights of persons belonging to national, ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities [DH-MIN (1992) 4]

- 5. Date of the next meeting
- 6. Other business