

# The Prevention of Torture at the Dawn of a New Millenium

on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the establishment of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)

Strasbourg, 19 November 1999

- 9.30 a.m. Opening statements by:
  - Bruno HALLER, Clerk of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
  - Ivan ZAKINE, President of the CPT

# CPT: the first decade

9.45 a.m. An assessment of the CPT's work to date

### Keynote speaker:

- Cornelio SOMMARUGA (President of the International Committee of the Red Cross)
- 10.15 a.m. General debate, led by the following <u>panel</u>:
  - Robert BADINTER, <u>Moderator</u> (Senator, former Minister of Justice of France)
  - Silvia CASALE (member of the CPT)
  - Alvaro GIL-ROBLES (Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights elect, former Ombudsman of Spain)
  - Ingrid LYCKE ELLINGSEN (First Vice-President of the CPT)
  - John OLDEN (Second Vice-President of the CPT)
  - Cornelio SOMMARUGA

# <u>intervenors</u> (to include):

- Holly CARTNER (Executive Director of Human Rights Watch, Europe Division)
- Baltasar GARZÓN REAL (Examining Judge at the Audiencia Nacional, Madrid)
- Timothy HARDING (Director of the University Institute of Forensic Medicine, Geneva)
- Luzius WILDHABER (President of the European Court of Human Rights)
- 12.45 p.m. <u>Summing up</u> of the morning's discussions:
  - Robert BADINTER

# 1.00 p.m. Lunch break

# Future prospects

2.30 p.m. The CPT in a pan-European (and worldwide) context

## Keynote speaker:

- Serguei KOVALEV
  (Member of the State Duma, former Chairman of the
  Human Rights Commission of the President of the
  Russian Federation)
- 3.00 p.m. General debate, led by the following panel:
  - Constantin ECONOMIDES, Moderator (member of the CPT)
  - Vincent del BUONO (Deputy Secretary General designate of Amnesty International)
  - Serguei KOVALEV
  - Claude NICOLAY (member of the OSCE Advisory Panel for the Prevention of Torture, former President of the CPT)
  - Jagoda POLONCOVÁ (member of the CPT)
  - Nigel RODLEY (United Nations Special Rapporteur on Torture)

# intervenors (to include):

- Erika FELLER (Director, Department of International Protection, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees)
- Nina KARPACHOVA (Human Rights Plenipotentiary of Ukraine)
- Marco MONA (President of the Association for the Prevention of Torture)
- Bent SØRENSEN (Rapporteur of the United Nations Committee against Torture, former First Vice-President of the CPT)
- 5.30 p.m. <u>Summing up</u> of the afternoon's discussions:
  - Nigel RODLEY
- 5.45 p.m. Closing remarks by the President of the CPT
- 6.00 p.m. Close of the meeting



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