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ECRI's Round Table in Poland

Palace of the Ministry of Culture
Warsaw, 8 November 2005

PROGRAMME

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REGISTRATION: 9:15

**Moderator of the morning session: Mr Adam SZOSTKIEWICZ,
journalist**

9:30 – 10:00

OPENING

Welcome by Professor Andrzej SICIŃSKI, member of ECRI
Opening Address by Professor Władysław BARTOSZEWSKI,
former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland

10:00 – 11:00 THEME I – ECRI'S REPORT ON POLAND

10:00 – 10:10

Introduction to ECRI's work
by Ms Winnie SORGDRAGER, member of ECRI

10:10 – 10:30

Conclusions to be drawn from ECRI's Report on Poland
by Mr Michael HEAD, Chair of ECRI

10:30 – 11:00

Discussion: open to the floor

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:45 THEME II – RACISM AND XENOPHOBIA IN PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND IN PUBLIC SPHERE

11:15 – 11:30

The climate of opinion with regard to vulnerable groups in Poland,
by Ms Halina BORTNOWSKA - DĄBROWSKA, journalist and
member of the WIRYDARZ Association

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- 11:30 – 11:45 Antisemitism in Poland: a paradox?
by Professor Jerzy JEDLICKI, Institute of History, Polish Academy of Sciences and Chairman of the Council of the Open Republic Association - Otwarta Rzeczpospolita
- 11:45 – 12:00 Responding to hate speech and racist and xenophobic attacks: the role of the criminal justice system,
by Ms Barbara DĄBROWSKA-SZNAJDER, Office of the National Prosecutor
- 12:00 – 1:00 Discussion: open to the floor
- 1:00 – 2:00 Lunch

Moderator of the afternoon session: Mr Andrzej JONAS, President of the Polish Branch of the European Association of Journalists

2:00 – 3:15 THEME III – COMBATING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ROMA

- 2:00 – 2:20 Assessment of the situation of the Roma community in Poland,
Mr Andrzej MIRGA, Chairman of the Roma Advisory Council of Project of Ethnic Relations
Ms Krystyna GIL, Chairperson of the Council of Roma Women in Krakow
- 2:20 – 2:35 The Programme for the Roma community in Poland 2004-2013”
by Ms Danuta GŁOWACKA -MAZUR, Vice-Director of the Department of National and Ethnic Minorities, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration
- 2:35 – 3:15 Discussion: open to the floor
- 3:15 – 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:00 THEME IV – THE LEGISLATIVE AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR COMBATING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN POLAND– THE CHALLENGES AHEAD

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- 3:30 – 3:45 European standards for the development of a comprehensive legislative and institutional framework for combating racism and racial discrimination,
by Ms Claudia LAM, member of ECRI's Secretariat
- 3:45 - 4:00 The legislative framework for combating racism and racial discrimination in Poland,
by Mr Adam BODNAR, Coordinator of the Strategic Litigation Program, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights
- 4:00 – 4:15 The establishment of a national specialised body to combat racism and racial discrimination in Poland– the challenges ahead,
by Ms Magdalena ŚRODA, Government Plenipotentiary for Equal Status of Women and Men
- 4:15 – 5:00 Discussion: open to the floor
- 5:00 – 5:30 Conclusions of the Round Table
- Presentation of the conclusions of the Round Table by the Moderator