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European Commission against Racism and Intolerance
Commission européenne contre le racisme et l'intolérance

ECRI's Round Table in Romania Bucharest, Wednesday 16 October 2002 Hotel Athenee Palace Hilton

PROGRAMME

9:30 – 9:45

OPENING

Welcome and introductory statements by Mr Michael HEAD,
Chair of ECRI and by the Moderator of the Round Table,
Ambassador Sergiu CELAC, President of the Romanian Institute
of International Studies

9:45 – 11:15 THEME I – ECRI AND ROMANIA – SIDE BY SIDE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST RACISM AND XENOPHOBIA

9:45 – 9:55

Introduction to ECRI's work
by Mr Michael HEAD, Chair of ECRI

9:55 – 10:05

Conclusions to be drawn from ECRI's Report on Romania
by Mr Roger LINSTER, member of ECRI

10:05 – 10:15

ECRI's forthcoming general policy recommendation No.7 on
national legislation to combat racism and racial discrimination,
by Ms Isil GACHET, Executive Secretary to ECRI

10:15 – 11:15

Discussion: open to the floor

11:15 – 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 – 1:00 THEME II – IMPLEMENTING ROMANIA'S NEW ANTI- DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION

11:30 – 11:45

“Law 48/ 2002 on the Prevention and Punishment of all Forms of
Discrimination and its state of implementation”,
by Mr Marko ATTILA, Under-Secretary of State/ Department of
Interethnic Relations

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11:45 – 12:00	“The National Council for Combating Discrimination”, by Mr Christian JURA, President of the National Council for Combating Discrimination
12:00 – 12:15	“The work and functioning of national bodies specialised in combating racism and ECRI’s general policy recommendation No.2” by Mr François SANT’ANGELO, deputy member of ECRI
12:15 – 1:00	Discussion: open to the floor
1:00 – 2:30	Lunch break

2:30 – 4:00 THEME III – ROMANIA’S STRATEGY FOR IMPROVING THE SITUATION OF THE ROMA – THE WAY AHEAD
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2:30 – 2:50	Presentation of the Governmental Strategy for Improving the Situation of the Roma, by Ms Maria IONESCU, National Office for Roma
2:50 – 3:20	Assessment of the 2001 Governmental Strategy, by Mr Costel BERCUS, Romani CRISS
3:20 – 4:00	Discussion: open to the floor
4:00 – 4:15	Coffee Break

4:15 – 5:30 THEME IV – REPORTING DIVERSITY: THE ROLE OF THE MEDIA IN FIGHTING RACISM AND XENOPHOBIA

4:15 – 4:45	Role of the media in reporting diversity and the fight against hate speech, by Ms Claudia POPESCU, Media Monitoring Agency Presentation of the "Guide of Best Practices for Romanian Journalists", by Ms Georgiana ILIE, Center for Independent Journalism
4:45 – 5:30	Discussion: open to the floor
5:30 – 6:00	Conclusions of the Round Table

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Presentation of the conclusions of the Round Table by Ambassador
Sergiu CELAC, President of the Romanian Institute of
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