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(OSCE) and the United Nations met on 7 July 2008 in Strasbourg in the "Plus" format

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• The initiatives of the Council of Europe in various Intercultural Dialogue in "Dignity Together: As Equals"

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The meeting was the 17th in a series initiated in July 1993. The annual discussions – which are chaired and hosted in turn by the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the Council of Europe (CoE) and the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) on behalf of the United Nations – are intended to share information and improve practical and know-how. Over time, the agenda has widened, from an essentially humanitarian emphasis, to fields related to human rights, conflict prevention, conflict management and post-conflict peace building. The number of participating organizations has also increased, so that consultations are informal plus refer to the Council of Europe, the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), who participate as affiliated members, have been joined for this meeting by the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), the Collective Security Treaty Organisation (CSTO) and the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) A wide range of representatives from the UN system – including Secretariat departments and offices, and the funds, programmes and specialised agencies – also participated.

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