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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON ROMA AND TRAVELLER¹ ISSUES (CAHROM)

12th CAHROM PLENARY MEETING

Strasbourg, Council of Europe, 15-18 November 2016

ABRIDGED REPORT

Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Opening of the plenary meeting and adoption of the agenda

- 1. Mr Branko Sočanac (Croatia), Chair of the CAHROM, opened the 12th plenary meeting.
- 2. The Committee adopted the agenda as it appears in Appendix.
- 3. The Committee welcomed the new Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for Roma Issues (hereafter "SRSG"), Mr Valeriu Nicolae.

Review of the impact, outcome and follow-up given to CAHROM thematic visits and thematic reports endorsed between 2012 and mid-2016

- 4. The Committee took note of an overview document [doc. CAHROM(2016)11] on the impact, outcomes and follow-up of thematic visits and reports prepared by the Secretariat based on 48 replies received from experts having participated in CAHROM thematic groups between 2012 and mid-2016.
- 5. The Chair invited CAHROM members concerned by thematic groups who had not yet replied to the questionnaire to do so by the end of December 2016 and indicated that he would emphasize the positive assessment of the Committee about the CAHROM's thematic working methods at his address before the GR-SOC on 17 November 2017².
- 6. The Committee agreed to examine at its next plenary meeting an updated overview document, including additional replies and statistical information covering also the last six months of 2016, and would decide then whether to submit this document for information to the Committee of Ministers via the GR-SOC.

¹ The term "Roma and Travellers" is used at the Council of Europe to encompass the wide diversity of the groups covered by the work of the Council of Europe in this field: on the one hand a) Roma, Sinti/Manush, Calé, Kaale, Romanichals, Boyash/Rudari; b) Balkan Egyptians (Egyptians and Ashkali); c) Eastern groups (Dom, Lom and Abdal); and, on the other hand, groups such as Travellers, Yenish, and the populations designated under the administrative term "Gens du voyage", as well as persons who identify themselves as Gypsies.

² The speech of the CAHROM Chair at the GR-SOC is available in document CAHROM (2016)18 Written contributions for the 12th CAHROM meeting.

CAHROM website

7. The Committee took note of the new CAHROM website³ and of the request to provide to the Secretariat by the end of 2016 a written authorisation to include contact details of CAHROM experts for the interactive map. It also noted that official census figures and estimates, as well as a short description of the Roma and/or Traveller groups in each member State, would be introduced in the coming months on the CAHROM website.

Exchange with the SRSG on his views concerning the working methods of the Committee, its composition and its contribution to the Council of Europe's agenda on Roma and Traveller-related issues

- 8. The SRSG underlined the importance of the work of the CAHROM. He expressed his intention to have the Committee focusing its work on a more limited number of thematic priorities that should follow a life-cycle approach and suggested to increase the level of representation of experts in CAHROM by proposing for at least one day some agenda items that might attract the participation of ministers or state secretaries.
- 9. The SRSG informed the Committee about his priorities, including the fight against anti-Gypsyism and the promotion of schools as engines for social inclusion, and highlighted some new initiatives such as the merging of the UEFA's Respect and the Council of Europe's Dosta! campaigns. The possible reform of the dialogue between the CAHROM and Roma and Traveller civil society was also discussed.
- 10. The Committee thanked the SRSG for his intervention and highlighted that the Council of Europe's Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers (2016-2019) should put equal emphasis on the social inclusion of vulnerable groups and the fight against precarity and not concentrate exclusively on the fight against anti-Gypsyism due to the mainstreamed policy approach in member States that do not target any ethnic groups in particular.

Proposed CAHROM thematic groups and visits for 2017 and 2018

11. The Committee took note of the confirmation of topics and composition of future CAHROM thematic groups for 2017, namely a thematic visit on the protection, preservation and teaching of languages spoken by Roma, Sinti and Yenish in Austria on 29-31 March 2017 with Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia⁴, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, Poland, Slovenia and Switzerland as partner countries; a thematic visit on Roma mediation and its institutionalisation with a focus on school mediators and assistants in Lithuania in April 2017⁵ with Latvia, the Republic of Moldova, Norway, Poland, Portugal and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" as partner countries; a thematic visit on challenges and best practices in implementing national Roma inclusion strategies, including measures for resolving the lack of personal identification documents and for improving access to social services in Ukraine in spring 2017 with Greece, the Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Serbia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" as partner countries, as well as ECMI and possibly OSCE/ODIHR as observers⁶; and a thematic visit on the situation and challenges of eastern Roma, Dom, Lom and Abdal groups and policy responses to their needs in Georgia in June 2017⁷ with Armenia, Azerbaijan, the Russian Federation and Turkey as partner countries, as well as ECMI and OSCE/ODIHR as observers.

³ http://www.coe.int/fr/web/portal/cahrom

⁴ Since the plenary meeting, Croatia withdrew its participation and was replaced by the Slovak Republic.

⁵ The dates were later fixed at 25-27 April 2017 and the agenda will include meetings in Panevėžys municipality.

⁶ The dates were later fixed at 26-28 April 2017. CAHROM members for the Republic of Moldova and for Montenegro withdrew their participation due to parallel commitments. OSCE/ODIHR will not participate in the thematic visit.

⁷ The dates were later fixed at 21-23 June 2017

- 12. The Committee entrusted the Secretariat to obtain from Turkey, absent at the meeting, the confirmation of their proposal to host a thematic visit on Roma access to employment, with a focus on Roma women and youth, in autumn 2017⁸. Bosnia and Herzegovina, Greece, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" confirmed their interest in being partner countries.
- 13. The Committee took note of other proposals of thematic visits for 2018 subject to the adoption of new CAHROM Terms of Reference for 2018-2019 by the Committee of Ministers, including on the teaching of Roma history, including the Roma Holocaust, in textbooks and school curricula with the Slovak Republic as hosting country and Hungary and the Republic of Moldova as partner countries; on practices of Roma integration policies in countries with a small Roma population with possibly Latvia as hosting country and Norway as partner country; on the impact of culture and traditions when developing and implementing Roma policies with Poland and Slovenia as partner countries; on an education-related topic proposed with Greece, the Republic of Moldova and the Netherlands as partner countries; and on access to justice involving JUSTROM pilot countries (Bulgaria, Greece, Ireland, Italy and Romania).
- 14. The Committee endorsed the aforementioned updated list and composition of 2017 CAHROM thematic groups and visits, as well as the provisional list for 2018, subject to the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of the CAHROM Terms of Reference for 2018-2019.

European Union/Council of Europe cooperation through joint programmes9

- 15. The Committee heard presentations by a representative of the European Commission (DG Employment) and the ROMACT Programme Manager of the Support Team of the SRSG for Roma Issues on developments concerning ROMACT, including the Transnational Cooperation and Capacity building (T.C.C.) component of ROMACT that was launched in 2016. This component aims to assist local authorities in better integrating marginalised people, in particular non-nationals of Roma ethnicity. It focuses on the co-operation between municipalities either from or to which movements of marginalised populations occur, with a focus on Roma.
- 16. The Committee heard presentations by a representative of the European Commission (DG EAC), and the ROMED Programme Manager of the Support Team of the SRSG for Roma Issues on the results of the external assessment of the ROMED programme.
- 17. The Committee heard presentations by a representative of the European Commission (DG-NEAR) and the Head of the Strategic Partnerships Unit of the Support Team of the SRSG for Roma Issues on the future launch of the ROMACTED Joint Programme that will combine ROMED and ROMACT components in Western Balkans and Turkey¹⁰.
- 18. The Committee heard presentations by a representative of the European Commission (DG JUST) and the JUSTROM Programme Manager of the Support Team of the SRSG for Roma Issues on recent developments of this programme on Roma and Traveller women's access to justice. The Committee was informed that this programme had already been successfully launched in four of the five pilot countries (Ireland, Italy, Bulgaria and Romania) and would be launched in Greece on 22 November 2016. The next steps would include the setting up of two legal clinics in each country and the training of lawyers on non-discrimination and human rights with a focus on Roma and Travellers.
- 19. The Committee took note of developments regarding the above joint programmes and of the request from the Secretariat to circulate information to relevant institutions, including at regional and local levels, for example, the calls for the ROMACT T.T.C. component.

⁸ Turkey informed the Secretariat in March 2017 that this thematic visit would be postponed to 2018.

⁹ Full presentations are available in document CAHROM (2016)18 Written contributions for the 12th CAHROM meeting.

¹⁰ As was the case at previous CAHROM plenary meetings, DG NEAR organised a side event with CAHROM members from EU accession countries, as well as representatives from the Council of Europe, RCC and UNDP, on 17 November 2017.

Co-ordination between European and international organisations/institutions on their Romarelated priorities for 2016-2017

- 20. The Committee heard a presentation by a representative of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) about the results of the Local Engagement for Roma Inclusion (LERI) project, as well as from the Slovak Republic about Roma integration activities under their EU Council Presidency.
- 21. The CAHROM was informed about the fourth co-ordination meeting between international intergovernmental organisations/European institutions¹¹ organised by the SRSG for Roma Issues.

Recent developments at national level¹²

22. The Committee heard a presentation from the CAHROM member on behalf of Latvia about the results of a 2015 research paper entitled "Roma in Latvia", as well as feedback from Italy on a Roma youth seminar organised by UNAR in Rome on 17 October 2016 and the results of a call addressed to Italian NGOs on the empowerment of Roma women and young people.

Remembrance, Roma history teaching, Dosta! and anti-Gypsyism

- 23. The Committee took note of the ongoing update of the joint CoE/OSCE-ODIHR website on the genocide of the Roma¹³, as well as of the Council of Europe's work on remembrance of the Roma Holocaust/genocide and its involvement in the IHRA Commission on Roma genocide.
- 24. The Committee heard feedback about the OSCE-ODIHR/Council of Europe Joint Conference on Confronting Anti-Gypsysim that was held in Berlin on 6 September 2016. The Czech Republic indicated that Roma will be part of the priorities of the Czech Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, between mid-May and mid-November 2017. The Czech Chairmanship will include hosting the 13th CAHROM plenary meeting in Prague and possible field visits to Lety or to the Brno Cultural Centre, as well as the setting-up of an international task-force on anti-Gypsyism that should involve various international inter-governmental organisations and European institutions.
- 25. The Committee heard feedback from the Slovak Republic on the Dosta! media training on ethical reporting for journalists held in Donovaly on 2-3 November 2016, as well as feedback from the Secretariat on the non-discrimination training for the police organised by the Council of Europe at the request of Polish authorities in Wroclaw, Poland, on 18-21 April 2016.
- 26. The Committee noted that CAHROM members supported the proposal to draft a recommendation for the Committee of Ministers on the inclusion of teaching of Roma history/genocide in textbooks and school curricula; this proposal would however be further discussed by the Committee in the context of the revision of the CAHROM Terms of Reference 2018-2019 at its next meeting.

Romani arts and culture

- 27. The Committee was updated by the Head of the Support Team of the Special Representative of the Secretary General for Roma issues and Germany on recent developments concerning the European Roma Institute for Arts and Culture (ERIAC), namely the revision of the draft statutes and the registration of ERIAC as an association rather than a foundation as initially envisaged.
- 28. The Committee observed that setting up ERIAC as an association differed from its creation as a foundation as initially planned and regretted a lack of regular updated information in relation to ERIAC.

¹¹ This side event of the CAHROM plenary meeting took place on 15 November 2017 and was attended by representatives of the European Commission, FRA, UNDP, UNICEF, World Bank, IOM, Council of Europe, CEB, ECMI, and RCC.

¹² See presentations in document CAHROM (2016)18 Written contributions on recent developments.

¹³ www.roma-genocide.org. CAHROM members are invited to submit any corrections or additional information to the Secretariat.

The Committee would welcome the participation of a representative of Open Society Foundations at the next plenary meeting.

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Dialogue meeting between the CAHROM and Roma and Traveller civil society

- 29. The 3rd dialogue meeting with Roma and Traveller civil society, which was for the first time taking place jointly within the CAHROM plenary session, was opened by Ms Snežana Samardžić-Marković, Director General of Democracy, and Mr Valeriu Nicolae, SRSG for Roma Issues.
- 30. Following keynote speeches delivered by representatives of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, the Youth Department and Traveller and Roma youth representatives, the participants addressed, firstly in parallel working groups and then in plenary, the two selected topics, namely:
 - a. the travelling way of life, including the challenges faced by Travellers, the importance of the status of the recognition of culturally compatible accommodation for a better social and economic insertion of Gypsies and Travellers (*Gens du voyage*), as well as the impact of national policies on the inclusion or rejection of Gypsies and Travellers (*Gens du voyage*) by local authorities and population;
 - b. Roma youth, including a mid-term evaluation of the Roma Youth Action Plan (RYAP); governmental actions and budgetary allocations towards the implementation of the RYAP; as well as the involvement of Roma youth organisations and individuals in advisory and decision-making bodies.
- 31. The Committee took note that relevant CAHROM thematic reports¹⁴ were distributed as background documents for the discussion and that a summary report of the dialogue meeting would appear as an Appendix to the full report of the 12th CAHROM plenary meeting.

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Examination of CAHROM thematic reports

- 32. Following parallel working group sessions, the Committee took note of the main conclusions of four CAHROM thematic visits, namely on addressing and combatting the trafficking of human beings within Roma communities, with a focus on street children and prostitution (Tirana, 4-6 March 2015) covering Albania, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands and Romania; on Roma and Travellers' participation in advisory councils and consultative mechanisms with a focus on Roma women and youth (Dublin on 8-10 February 2016) covering Ireland, Belgium, Croatia, Norway and Spain and attended by the OHCHR as observer; on diagnoses and testing systems for Roma children (Budapest, 9-11 March 2016) covering Hungary, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Poland, the Slovak Republic and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and attended by the European Commission as observer; and on the empowerment and participation of Roma in advisory and decision-making bodies, as well as in political life with a focus on women and youth (Athens and Megara, 17-19 October 2016) covering Greece, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the Czech Republic and Romania attended by FRA as observer.
- 33. The Committee agreed to adopt the thematic reports of the above thematic visits by written procedure once they have been finalised and endorsed by the experts of the thematic groups. The CAHROM members also took note of the request from the Secretariat to complete the questionnaire on the participation of Roma and Travellers in advisory and decision-making bodies, as well as political life¹⁵.

¹⁴ See documents CAHROM (2013)6 Thematic report on encampment areas and other issues relating to Travellers covering Belgium, France, Switzerland and the United Kingdom; CAHROM (2015)9 Thematic report on the empowerment of Roma youth and the youth dimension of national Roma integration strategies covering Slovenia, Belgium, Croatia, and Serbia; and CAHROM (2016)7 Thematic report on the empowerment and participation of Roma and Travellers in advisory bodies bodies and consultation mechanisms with a focus on Roma women and youth covering Ireland, Belgium, Croatia, Norway and Spain.

¹⁵ Eighteen country replies have been received so far.

Exchange with rapporteurs on Roma issues from other Council of Europe sectors/committees and on the European Alliance of Cities and Regions for the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers

- 34. The Committee exchanged with Rapporteurs on Roma issues respectively from the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH), the Joint Council on Youth and the Ad hoc Committee for the Rights of the Child (CAHENF) and welcomed their participation in the CAHROM. The Committee identified synergies and the need for further co-operation with the CDDH in the context of child/early and forced marriages, with the CAHENF on the Roma children provisions of the Council of Europe's Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2016-2021 and the online database of Roma-related good practices and policies, and with the Joint Council on Youth on the Roma Youth Action Plan (RYAP). The CAHROM tasked the Secretariat to approach the CDPPE for the nomination of a similar Rapporteur on Roma.
- 35. The Committee listened to recent developments from representatives of the Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly and from the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, including on the adoption of Congress Recommendation 388 (2016) on the situation of Roma and Travellers in the context of rising extremism, xenophobia and the refugee crisis in Europe to which it could provide comments until 21 December 2016¹⁶. It also took note of the adoption of new Strategic Guidelines for the European Alliance of Cities and Regions for the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers for 2016-2019.

Elections of the 2017 CAHROM Bureau

36. The Committee re-elected Mr Branko Sočanac (Croatia) as Chair and Ms Tatjana Andjelić (Montenegro) as Vice-Chair. Mr Ján Hero (Slovak Republic) was elected as third Bureau member.

Nomination of Committee rapporteurs and substitutes on gender equality, youth, children and anti-Gypsyism/hate crime

37. The Committee decided to prolong the mandate of the four CAHROM Rapporteurs until the end of 2017 and re-appointed Ms Sarita Friman-Korpela (Finland) as gender equality rapporteur, Mr Martin Martínek (Czech Republic) as rapporteur on Roma children, Mr Stanko Baluh (Slovenia) as Roma youth rapporteur and Mr Ian Naysmith (United Kingdom) as rapporteur on anti-Gypsyism, hate crime and LGBTI¹⁷-related issues. No substitute rapporteurs were appointed in the absence of candidates but the Committee agreed that the CAHROM Bureau could contact individual CAHROM members to replace the CAHROM rapporteurs on an ad hoc basis if they are unable to attend plenary meetings. The Committee took note of Updated Guidelines for Rapporteurs [document CAHROM (2015(25)].

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Discussion on a draft CM Recommendation on improving access to justice for Roma and Travellers in Europe

- 38. The Committee examined and discussed together with two Council of Europe consultants, Mr Adam Weiss from the European Roma Rights Centre-ERRC and Mr Dezideriu Gergely, HELP-certified trainer, the second draft version of a proposed CM Recommendation on improving access to justice for Roma and Travellers in Europe.
- 39. The Committee took note of the report of the two first meetings of the CAHROM drafting group, and of written comments provided by France, Germany, Greece, the Netherlands, Norway and the United Kingdom, as well as by the Gender Equality Unit of the Council of Europe. Following the discussion and some additional oral proposed amendments, the Committee agreed that those proposals would be further examined at the third drafting group meeting scheduled just after the CAHROM plenary meeting on 18 November 2016 and that a new version would be circulated for written comments to the entire committee.

¹⁶ See document CAHROM(2016)27 for comments sent to the Committee of Ministers on Congress Recommendation 388 (2016).

¹⁷ LGBTI stands for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex.

Arrangements and proposals for the agenda of the next plenary meeting

- 40. The Committee expressed satisfaction about new working methods introduced by the CAHROM Bureau, in particular parallel working sessions to examine and discuss thematic reports. The Committee however suggested to reduce the number of presentations and speakers, especially from international observers/organisations and have those presentations circulated in advance in writing to allow more time for debate. Whilst some CAHROM members found the dialogue meeting with Roma and Traveller civil society very interesting and useful, others considered that some of the proposals were not realistic and some of the interventions not respectful and constructive enough in the context of a dialogue.
- 41. The Committee took note that a questionnaire will be drafted by the Secretariat and circulated to obtain feedback from CAHROM members on the working methods and new priorities for its terms of reference 2018-2019.
- 42. The Committee took note of the invitation of the Czech Republic to host the 13th CAHROM meeting in Prague from Wednesday 31 May afternoon until Saturday 3 June 2017 included under the Czech Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe. For the agenda of 3 June 2017, CAHROM participants would split between visits to Lety and/or to the Brno Cultural Centre and a conference on inclusive education co-organised by the Czech authorities and the European Commission that could accommodate a limited number of CAHROM participants. In the evening, all CAHROM participants would be invited to the World Khamoro Roma festival.
- 43. The Committee agreed to propose the following agenda items for its next plenary meeting:
 - Conclusions of four CAHROM thematic visits to be examined in parallel working groups;
 - Further discussion and possible endorsement of a draft Committee of Ministers' Recommendation on improving access to justice for Roma and Travellers in Europe;
 - Overview on the impact, outcomes and follow-up of thematic visits and reports 2012-2016;
 - Proposed CAHROM Terms of Reference 2018-2019;
 - Presentations by Ireland, Turkey and Ukraine on their respective new national strategies or actions plans for the inclusion of Roma and/or Travellers;
 - Developments concerning ERIAC.

Adoption of the list of decisions (abridged report)

44. The Committee took note of the oral summary of the list of decisions made by the Secretariat and agreed to adopt the abridged report by written procedure.

Appendix – agenda of the 12th CAHROM plenary meeting, Strasbourg, 15-18 November 2017

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- I. OPENING OF THE 12th CAHROM MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- II. CAHROM'S WORKING METHODS AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE'S AGENDA ON ROMA AND TRAVELLER ISSUES
- a) Review of the impact, outcome and follow-up given to CAHROM thematic visits and thematic reports endorsed between 2012 and mid-2016
- b) CAHROM website
- c) Introduction by Mr Valeriu NICOLAE, Special Representative of the Secretary General for Roma Issues, of his views concerning the working methods of the Committee, its composition and its possible contribution to the Council of Europe and international agenda on Roma and Traveller-related issues.
- III. PROPOSED THEMATIC GROUPS AND VISITS FOR 2017
- IV. CO-ORDINATION AMONG INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS ON THEIR ROMA-RELATED THEMATIC PRIORITIES FOR THE YEARS 2016-2017 AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL
- a) European Union/Council of Europe joint programmes and cooperation
- b) Recent developments at national level
- V. REMEMBRANCE, ROMA HISTORY TEACHING, DOSTA! AND ANTI-GYPSYISM
- VI. ROMANI ARTS AND CULTURE
- <u>1st SIDE EVENT (restricted)</u> 4th CO-ORDINATION MEETING BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS/EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS¹⁸

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VII. DIALOGUE MEETING BETWEEN THE CAHROM AND ROMA AND TRAVELLER CIVIL SOCIETY

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VIII. EXAMINATION OF THEMATIC REPORTS (parallel working sessions)

- IX. EXCHANGE WITH RAPPORTEURS ON ROMA ISSUES FROM OTHER COUNCIL OF EUROPE SECTORS/COMMITTEES AND ON THE EUROPEAN ALLIANCE OF CITIES AND REGIONS FOR THE INCLUSION OF ROMA AND TRAVELLERS
- X. ELECTIONS OF THE 2017 CAHROM BUREAU AND NOMINATION OF COMMITTEE RAPPORTEURS
- a) Elections of the 2017 CAHROM Bureau

¹⁸ Side event organised by the SRSG for Roma Issues with the participation of representatives of the European Commission, FRA, OSCE/ODIHR (excused), OHCHR (excused), UNDP, UNICEF, World Bank, IOM, Council of Europe, CEB, ECMI, EEA and Norway Grants (excused) and RCC.

b) Nomination of Committee rapporteurs and substitutes on gender equality, youth, children and anti-Gypsyism respectively

<u>2nd SIDE EVENT (restricted)</u>: INTERNAL COORDINATION MEETING WITH EU ACCESSION COUNTRIES ORGANISED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION DG-NEAR¹⁹

Friday, 18 November 2016

XI. DISCUSSION ON A DRAFT CM RECOMMENDATION ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ROMA AND TRAVELLERS IN EUROPE

XII. WORKING METHODS, ARRANGEMENTS AND PROPOSALS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT PLENARY MEETING

XIII. ADOPTION OF THE LIST OF DECISIONS

3rd SIDE EVENT: 3RD MEETING OF THE DRAFTING GROUP ON A CM RECOMMENDATION ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ROMA AND TRAVELLERS IN EUROPE²⁰

¹⁹ Side event organised by the European Commission (DG NEAR) and restricted to representatives of the following EU accession countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and Turkey, as well as representatives of the Council of Europe, European Commission, FRA, UNDP and RCC.

²⁰ Optional attendance except for Council of Europe's consultants and CAHROM members of the drafting group (CAHROM members from Austria, Croatia, France, Ireland, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro).