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ECRI's Round Table in the Russian Federation

Conference Hall of the International Federation for Peace and Conciliation
Moscow, 23 September 2008

PROGRAMME

Russian version (pdf)

REGISTRATION: 9:15

Moderator of the morning session: Mr William SMIRNOV, Executive Secretary of the Civil Society Institutions and Human Rights Council under the President of the Russian Federation

9:30 – 9:45

OPENING

- Welcome by Professor Eva SMITH ASMUSSEN, Chair of ECRI

9:45 – 10:45 THEME I – ECRI'S REPORT ON THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

9:45 – 9:55

Introduction to ECRI's work, by Professor Eva SMITH ASMUSSEN, Chair of ECRI

9:55 – 10:15

Conclusions to be drawn from ECRI's Report on the Russian Federation, by Mr Michael HEAD, member of ECRI

10:15 – 10:45

Discussion: open to the floor

10:45 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:45 THEME II - RACISM, XENOPHOBIA, ANTISEMITISM AND INTOLERANCE IN PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE

11:00 – 11:15

Racism and xenophobia in public discourse and in the public sphere, by Professor Valeriy TISHKOV, Director of the Institute for Ethnology and Anthropology of the Russian Academy of Sciences

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11:15 – 11:30	ECRI's standards for combating racism, antisemitism and xenophobia in public discourse and in the public sphere, by Ms Isil GACHET, Executive Secretary to ECRI
11:30 – 11:45	Governmental initiatives for combating racism and xenophobia in the Russian Federation, by Mr Alexander ZHURAVSKIY, Head of the Department for inter-ethnic relations of the Ministry of Regional Development
11:45 – 12:45	Discussion: open to the floor
12:45 – 2:00	Lunch break

Moderator of the afternoon session: Ms Ludmila ALEKSEEVA, Chair of the Moscow Helsinki Group

2:00 – 3:15 THEME III – RACIST VIOLENCE IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

2:00 – 2:15	Racist violence in the Russian Federation, by Mr Alexander VERKHOVSKIY, Director of the SOVA Center for Information and Analysis
2:15 - 2:30	Law-enforcement practice in the field of combating racism and racial discrimination in the Russian Federation, by Mr Alexey ZHAFYAROV, Head of Division of Supervision of Implementation of Legislation on Interethnic Relations of the Office of the Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation
2:30 – 3:15	Discussion: open to the floor
3:15 – 3:30	Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:30 THEME IV – THE LEGISLATIVE AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR COMBATING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION – THE CHALLENGES AHEAD
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3:30 – 3:45	The establishment of a national specialised body to combat racism and racial discrimination in the Russian Federation – the challenges ahead, by Mr Vladimir LUKIN, Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation
3:45 – 4:00	The legislative framework for combating racism and racial discrimination in the Russian Federation, by Mr Alexander OSIPOV, Research Fellow of the Centre for Independent Social Research
4:00 – 5:15	Discussion: open to the floor



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5:15 – 5:30

Conclusions of the Round Table

- Presentation of the conclusions of the Round Table by the Moderator