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**DECISION No. 609
AGENDA FOR THE 2004 HUMAN DIMENSION
IMPLEMENTATION MEETING**

The Permanent Council,

Recalling its Decision No. 476 of 23 May 2002, on the modalities for OSCE meetings on human dimension issues,

Further recalling the provisions of the Helsinki Document 1992, Chapter I and Chapter VI, paragraph (9),

Recalling also its Decision No. 592 of 29 January 2004, on the dates of the 2004 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting (HDIM), and Decision No. 593 of 29 January 2004, on the topics for the second part of the 2004 HDIM,

Decides to adopt the agenda for the 2004 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting as set out in the annex.

SCHEDULE OF THE 2004 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Warsaw, 4 to 15 October 2004

Monday, 4 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Opening plenary session
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Working session: Democratic institutions, including:
- Democratic elections;
 - Follow-up to the 15–16 July 2004 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Electoral Standards and Commitments;
 - Democracy at the national, regional and local levels;
 - Follow-up to the 12–14 May 2004 Human Dimension Seminar on Democratic Institutions and Democratic Governance;
 - Citizenship and political rights.

Tuesday, 5 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session: Tolerance and non-discrimination I, including:
- Address by the High Commissioner on National Minorities;
 - National Minorities;
 - Roma/Sinti;
 - Implementation of the Action Plan on Roma and Sinti Issues.
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Working session: Tolerance and non-discrimination II, including:
- Equal opportunities for women and men;
 - Prevention of aggressive nationalism, chauvinism, and ethnic cleansing.

Wednesday, 6 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session: Fundamental freedoms I, including:
- Address by the Representative on Freedom of the Media;
 - Freedom of expression, free media and information.
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Working session: Fundamental freedoms II, including:
- Freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief;
 - Freedom of movement.

Thursday, 7 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session: Rule of law I, including:
- Legislative transparency;
 - Independence of the judiciary;
 - Right to a fair trial;
 - Ombudsman and national human rights institutions.
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Working session: Rule of law II, including:
- Exchange of views on the question of the abolition of capital punishment;
 - Prevention of torture;
 - Follow-up to the 6–7 November 2003 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on the Prevention of Torture.

Friday, 8 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session: Humanitarian issues and other commitments, including:
- Trafficking in human beings;
 - Implementation of the OSCE Action Plan to combat trafficking in human beings;
 - International humanitarian law;
 - Migration, refugees and displaced persons.
- 1–3 p.m. Break

- 3–4 p.m. Working session: Humanitarian issues and other commitments (continued):
- Treatment of citizens of other participating States;
 - Migrant workers, including follow-up to the relevant session of the 13–14 September 2004 OSCE Conference on Tolerance and the Fight against Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination.
- Any other business
- 4–6 p.m. Plenary session

Monday, 11 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session: Discussion of human dimension activities (special emphasis on project/programmes work), including:
- Follow-up to the 25–26 March 2004 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Human Rights Education and Training.
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Working session: Discussion of human dimension activities (special emphasis on project/programmes work) (continued)

Tuesday, 12 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Specifically selected topic: Promotion of tolerance and non-discrimination
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Promotion of tolerance and non-discrimination (continued)

Wednesday, 13 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Specifically selected topic: Freedom of assembly and association:
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Freedom of assembly and association (continued)

Thursday, 14 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Specifically selected topic: Complementarity and co-operation between international organizations in promoting human rights
- 1–3 p.m. Break
- 3–6 p.m. Complementarity and co-operation between international organizations in promoting human rights (continued)

Friday, 15 October

- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Closing reinforced plenary session