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DECISION No. 675 AGENDA FOR THE 2005 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. 658 of 27 January 2005, on the dates of the 2005 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting (HDIM), and Decision No. 660 of 3 February 2005, on the topics for the second part of the 2005 HDIM,

Decides, in light of the experience gained, and with a view to further strengthening the effectiveness and attraction of the HDIM, to adopt the agenda for the 2005 Human Dimension Implementation Meeting as set out in the annex.

SCHEDULE OF THE 2005 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Warsaw, 19 to 30 September 2005

Opening plenary session

Monday, 19 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

1–3 p.m.	Break
3–6 p.m.	Working session 1: Democratic institutions, including:
	 Democratic elections; Follow-up to the 21–22 April 2005 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Challenges of Election Technologies and Procedures; Democracy at the national, regional and local levels; Citizenship and political rights.
Tuesday, 20 September	
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Working session 2: Humanitarian issues and other commitments (part 1), including:
	 Migration, refugees and displaced persons, including follow-up to the 3–4 November 2004 Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Internally Displaced Persons; Follow-up to the 11–13 May 2005 Human Dimension Seminar on Migration — Integration; Migrant workers; Treatment of citizens of other participating States.
1–3 p.m.	Break
3–6 p.m.	Working session 3: Fundamental freedoms I, including:
	Freedom of movement;Freedom of assembly and association.

Wednesday, 21 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 4 (specifically selected topic): The situation of the

media in the OSCE region and the role of State and non-State actors in

promoting media freedom, including:

Address by the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the

Media:

— Freedom of expression, free media and information.

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 5: The situation of the media in the OSCE region and

the role of State and non-State actors in promoting media freedom

(continued)

Thursday, 22 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 6 (specifically selected topic): Methods to prevent

and combat torture

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 7: Methods to prevent and combat torture (continued)

Friday, 23 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 8: Rule of Law I, including:

Legislative transparency;

— Independence of the judiciary;

— Right to a fair trial;

Follow-up to the 14–15 July 2005 Supplementary Human
 Dimension Meeting on Human Rights and the Fight against

Terrorism.

1–3 p.m. Break

3–4 p.m. Working session 9: Rule of Law II, including

Exchange of views on the question of the abolition of capital

punishment;

Ombudsperson and national human rights institutions.

4–6 p.m. Plenary session

— Any other business.

Monday, 26 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 10: Discussion of human dimension activities (with special emphasis on project work), including:

 Presentation of key future projects and priorities of the ODIHR, of other OSCE institutions and field operations, international organizations and non-governmental organizations.

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 11: Discussion of human dimension activities (with special emphasis on project work) (continued)

Tuesday, 27 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 12: Humanitarian issues and other commitments (part 2), including:

- Trafficking in human beings; Implementation of the OSCE Action Plan to Combat Trafficking in Human Beings, and the 2005 focus on the special needs of child victims of trafficking for protection and assistance;
- International humanitarian law.

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 13: Tolerance and non-discrimination I, including:

- Equality of opportunity for women and men;
- Implementation of the OSCE Action Plan for the Promotion of Gender Equality;
- Role of women in conflict prevention and crisis management;
- Prevention of violence against women.

Wednesday, 28 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 14: Tolerance and non-discrimination II, including:

- Address by the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities;
- National Minorities;

 Roma/Sinti; Implementation of the OSCE Action Plan on Roma and Sinti Issues;

Prevention of aggressive nationalism, chauvinism, and ethnic cleansing.

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 15: Fundamental freedoms II (continued), including:

— Freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief.

Thursday, 29 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Working session 16 (specifically selected topic): Tolerance and

non-discrimination

1–3 p.m. Break

3–6 p.m. Working session 17: Tolerance and non-discrimination (continued)

Friday, 30 September

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Closing reinforced plenary session (reinforced by the participation of

human rights directors, OSCE ambassadors, heads of OSCE

institutions)