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3rd ROUND TABLE OF
NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

Co-organised by
the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe
and
the German Institute for Human Rights

Berlin, 25 - 26 November 2004
(Swissôtel, Augsburger Strasse 44, Berlin)

DRAFT PROGRAMME
Thursday, 25 November 2004

8.45 – 9.30am  Participants’ registration

9.30 – 10.00am  Opening Ceremony

Claudia Roth, Federal Government Commissioner for Human Rights Policy and Humanitarian Aid at The German Foreign Ministry

Rudolf Bindig, Member of the German Parliament, President of the German Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Heiner Bielefeldt, Director of the German Institute for Human Rights

Joël Thoraval, President of the European Co-ordinating Group of National Human Rights Institutions

Alvaro Gil-Robles, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

10.00am – 1.00pm  WORKING SESSION N°1

“Recent Developments of the System of Human Rights Protection within the Council of Europe”

Chair: Nic Klecker, President of National Advisory Commission on Human Rights, Luxemburg (t.b.c.)

- Evolution of European mechanisms of Human Rights Protection: Protocol 14 of the ECHR and future role of the Commissioner for Human Rights
  Speaker: Manuel Lezertua, Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, Council of Europe

- Roles of NHRIs in the Human Rights Activities of the Council of Europe
  Speaker: Emmanuel Decaux, National Advisory Commission on Human Rights, France

- Criticisms and Perspectives
  Speaker: Jill Heine, Legal Adviser, Amnesty International’s International Secretariat (t.b.c.)

11.15 - 11.30am  Coffee break

Rapporteur: Maurice Manning, President of the Irish Human Rights Commission (t.b.c.)

1.00 - 2.30pm  Lunch at the Conference Hotel
WORKING SESSION N°2

“The Protection of Human Rights in the context of the Fight against Terrorism”

Chair: Alice Yotopoulos-Marangopoulos, President of the National Commission for Human Rights, Greece (t.b.c.)

- **State’s Positive Obligations in Combating Terrorism**
  Speaker: Rafael Benitez, Head of the Counter-Terrorism Task Force, Council of Europe

- **Protecting private life in the context of the Fight against Terrorism**
  Speaker: Gerald Staberock, International Commission of Jurists

- **Protection of Human Rights in Judicial Proceedings in case of Terrorism**
  Speaker: Wolfgang Heinz, German Institute for Human Rights

3.45 – 4.15pm  **Coffee Break**

Rapporteur: Brice Dickson, Chief Commissioner of the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (t.b.c.)

6.00pm  Close of session

6.15pm  **Reception at the Conference Hotel**

Friday, 26 November 2004

WORKING SESSION N°3

“The Protection of the Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings”

Chair: Helga Konrad, OSCE Special Representative on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

- **The Protection of victims by the Council of Europe in the fight against trafficking**
  Speaker: Council of Europe

- **For an effective protection of the victims of trafficking**
  Speaker: Monika Hauser, Medica Mondiale, Germany (t.b.c.)

- **Role and obligations of States in the protection of victims**
  Speaker: Jernej Rovšek, Deputy Human Rights Ombudsman of Slovenia (t.b.c.)

10.15 – 10.30am  **Coffee break**
Rapporteur: Gérard Fellous, Secretary General of the National Advisory Commission on Human Rights, France (t.b.c.)

12.00 – 12.30am  Break

12.30am – 1.00pm  Presentation of the General Report and adoption of Conclusions of the Round Table

General Rapporteur: Morten Kjaerum, Danish Institute for Human Rights (t.b.c.)

1.00 – 1.15pm  Close of the Round Table

Heiner Bielefeldt

Alvaro Gil-Robles, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

7.30pm  Dinner at the Restaurant “Käfer” on top of the Bundestag

Saturday, 27 November 2004

Visit of the Checkpoint Charlie, the open-air exhibition “The Topology of Horror” and the Jewish Museum proposed to participants