



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly

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The Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights, meeting in Paris on 4 March 2002 with Mr Lintner in the Chair, as regards:

- *Legal situation of Roma in Europe* (Rapporteur: Mr Tabajdi, Hungary, SOC): held a hearing with the participation of:
 - Ms Gabriela BATTAINI-DRAGONI, Director General of Division III (Social Cohesion) of the Council of Europe
 - Mr Giancarlo CARDINALE, Legal and political research, European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe
 - Mr Martin EMERSON, Emerson Consultancies
 - Mr Nicolae GHEORGHE, Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues, Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe
 - Mr Rudolf KAWCZYNSKI, President of the Roma National Congress
 - Mr Andrzej MIRGA, Co-Chairperson, Specialist Group on Roma/Gypsies of the Council of Europe
 - Mr Fernando MORA, Advisor, Office of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights
 - Ms Dimitrina PETROVA, , Executive Director, European Roma Rights Center
 - Ms Livia PLAKS, Executive Director, Project on Ethnic Relations, USA
 - Ms Cécile RIALANT, RCA Programme Director, International Organisation for Migration
 - Mr Dominique ROSENBERG, Université Paris XII, France
 - Mr Normunds RUDEVIČS, International Romani Union
 - Mr Henry SCICLUNA, Coordinator for Roma/Gypsies activities in the Council of Europe
 - Ms Josephine VERSPAGET, Co-Chair of the Specialist Group on Roma/Gypsies of the Council of Europe

- *Next meetings:*

Plenary Committee:

- Paris, Monday 18 March 2002 at 9 h 30 (Council of Europe Office)
- Paris, Tuesday 19 March 2002, 9 h 30 – 17 h (Hearing on conditions of detention in Council of Europe member States) (Council of Europe office)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's April 2002 part-session
- Paris, Friday 17 May 2002 at 9 h 30 (Council of Europe Office)
- Saratov (Russian Federation), 13-14 June 2002 (subject to the authorisation of the Bureau)

Sub-Committee on Human Rights:

- Paris, Monday 18 March 2002, 9 h – 9 h 30 (Council of Europe Office)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's April 2002 part-session
- Tokyo (Japan), May 2002 (Seminar on the abolition of the death penalty) (date to be confirmed) (subject to the authorisation of the Bureau)

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