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SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

DRAFT RESOLUTION

ON

"THE NEED FOR THE OSCE PARTICIPATING STATES TO ELABORATE AND IMPLEMENT JOINT MEASURES TO COMBAT MANIFESTATIONS OF NEO-NAZISM"

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The Need for the OSCE participating States to Elaborate and Implement Joint Measures to Combat Manifestations of Neo-Nazism

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- 1. <u>Expressing concern</u> about the growing manifestations in the OSCE area of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and religious, ethnic, and right-wing extremism targeting members of national, ethnic, religious, and linguistic minorities,
- 2. <u>Expressing deep concern</u> about the profanation or destruction of monuments erected in memory of those who fought against or were victims of Nazism, including their places of burial, as well as the glorification of Nazis, the Nazi movement, and neo-Nazi propaganda,
- 3. <u>Noting</u> that such practices lead to an escalation of contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, and related intolerance and contribute to the spread of extremist political parties, movements, and groups whose activities are based on an ideology of racial or religious superiority and intolerance,
- 4. <u>Recognizing</u> that accession to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination is of the greatest importance for the promotion of equality and non-discrimination throughout the world,
- 5. <u>Supporting</u> the efforts of the participating States to implement the obligations of the OSCE set out, *inter alia*, in the resolutions of the OSCE Ministerial Council in Brussels (MC.DEC/13/06) and Madrid (MC.DEC/10/07) with regard to combating aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and violent extremism,
- 6. <u>Referring</u> also to the OSCE Ministerial Declarations on the 60th, 65th, and 70th anniversaries of the end of the Second World War, and <u>noting</u> the importance of preserving the memory, including through educational programmes, of the dramatic events and human suffering that resulted from ideologies based on racial superiority,
- 7. <u>Expressing concern</u> about the use of the internet to propagate racism, racial hatred, xenophobia, racial discrimination, and related intolerance as well as ideologies based on racial superiority,
- 8. <u>Reaffirming</u> the particular importance of reinforcing legislative measures through various educational initiatives, including on human rights issues,
- 9. <u>Underlining</u> the importance of close co-operation with civil society and international and regional human rights bodies for effectively combating all manifestations of racism, xenophobia, aggressive nationalism, and neo-Nazism, racial discrimination, and related intolerance.

10. <u>Noting</u> the importance of heightening public awareness of the dramatic events and human suffering that have resulted from ideologies based on racial superiority,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

- 11. <u>Firmly condemns</u> all manifestations of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and religious, ethnic, and right-wing extremism, and <u>calls on</u> the OSCE participating States to take more effective measures to combat them;
- 12. <u>Calls on participating States</u> that have not yet done so to consider including in their criminal legislation provisions pursuant to which the commission of a hate crime constitutes an aggravated circumstance incurring harsher penalties;
- 13. <u>Calls on</u> participating States to take further measures to familiarize members of the police force and other law enforcement bodies with issues relating to the dangerous nature of ideologies which propagate racial or other forms of superiority or which justify or foment racial hatred and discrimination of any kind, to improve their ability to combat offences motivated by racism and xenophobia and to bring the perpetrators to justice;
- 14. <u>Recognizes</u> the need to encourage the use of new information and communication technologies, including the internet, to promote tolerance and interethnic, interfaith, and intercultural dialogue and to combat the use of these technologies for propagating ideologies based on racial superiority;
- 15. Recommends that the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), together with other OSCE executive structures, should closely monitor incidents involving manifestations of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and religious, ethnic, and right-wing extremism and report on its findings to the Permanent Council;
- 16. <u>Recommends</u> that the ODIHR should systematically collect and disseminate information on best practices for the prevention of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and religious, ethnic and right-wing extremism and responses to such manifestations of intolerance;
- 17. Recommends that the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media should give closer attention to problems associated with the propagation in mass media of ideologies of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, aggressive nationalism, neo-Nazism, and religious, ethnic and right-wing extremism and should disseminate best practices on questions within his/her competence relating to the fight against manifestations of intolerance.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the DRAFT RESOLUTION

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