

58th Plenary Meeting

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DECISION No. 106**AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE
HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR ON CONSTITUTIONAL, LEGAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS OF THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION**

(Warsaw, 16-19 April 1996)

I. AGENDA

1. Opening of the Seminar by the Director of the ODIHR
2. Keynote speech
3. Discussion on constitutional, legal and administrative aspects of the freedom of religion, including: State, Church and religious communities and organizations; law, Church and religious communities; State and individual believer (including implementation)
4. Summing up and closure of the Seminar

II. TIMETABLE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES

1. The Seminar will open on Tuesday, 16 April 1996, at 3 p.m. in Warsaw. It will close on Friday, 19 April 1996.
2. All Plenaries and the Discussion Groups will be open.
3. Agenda items 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be dealt with in the Plenary. In addition, the closing Plenary, scheduled for Friday morning, will focus on practical suggestions for dealing with the issues and problems raised during the Discussion Groups.
4. Agenda item 3 will be dealt with in the Plenary as well as in the three Discussion Groups:

DG1: State, Church, religious communities and organizations

Topics may include:

- recognition of the status of communities of believers;
- "State Church", Church or community of the majority of the population;
- dialogue between State and religious communities;

- equality under the law for all religious communities;
- religion and politics.

DG2: Law, Church and religious communities

Topics may include:

- freedom of organization;
- freedom of worship;
- freedom of education;
- freedom of expression and information;
- freedom to associate with foreign co-religionists/believers.

DG3: State and individual believer

Topics may include:

- tolerance, non-discrimination and objection of conscience;
- freedom of choice, including to change one's religion or belief;
- freedom of movement, including freedom to travel abroad.

5. Meetings of the Plenary and Discussion Groups will take place according to the attached work programme.
6. An ODIHR representative will chair the Plenary Meetings.
7. The ODIHR will invite the Moderators to guide discussion in the Discussion Groups. They will be assisted by ODIHR representatives.
8. Standard OSCE rules of procedure and working methods will be applied at the Seminar.

WORK PROGRAMME

Working hours: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

{PRIVATE }	Tuesday 16 April	Wednesday 17 April	Thursday 18 April	Friday 19 April
Morning		DG 1 (C) DG 2 (P)	DG 3(P) DG 2 (C)	PL
Afternoon	PL	DG 1 (C) DG 3 (P)	DG 1 (P) DG 2 (C)	

PL - Plenary Meeting
DG - Discussion Group

P - Plenary Hall
C - Conference Room