Statement of Co-operation

Between participants of the Conference in Sarajevo

18 May 2010

Statement of Co-operation between:

Naroden pravobranitel – Ombudsman, FRY Makedonija Ombudsmeni za ljudska prava, Bosna i Hercegovina Pokrajinski Ombudsman, AP Vojvodina Pučki pravobranitelj, Republika Hrvatska Varuh človekovih pravic, Republika Slovenija Zaštitnik građana, Republika Srbija Zaštitnik ljudskih prava i sloboda, Crna Gora

We participants¹ of the Conference held on 18th of May 2010 in Sarajevo (hereinafter referred to as: Participants), encouraged by the support of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, determined to improve the human rights and to continue strengthening our co-operation,

Have agreed on the following:

- Human rights protection institutions as independent human rights protection institutions, having contemplated and assessed human rights situation, developments and problems encountered within the course of taking measures on their protection herewith establish co-operation.
- In order to enhance the protection and promotion of human rights, including setting out the mechanisms for the exchange and dissemination of best practices through the development of mutual cooperation.

¹ Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, FRY Macedonia, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Slovenia, Republic of Serbia, AP Vojvodina

- 3. The participants are agreeable to include the participating parties in any further cooperation on the international level.
- The Participants shall define methods of mutual co-operation and information exchange by agreements as well as their internal documents.
- 5. The Participants are public, independent institutions meeting the following criteria:
- they are established by law or a decision brought by a competent authority
- they act independently
- their mandate includes human rights protection and promotion
- 6. The Participants herewith confirm that they meet the above criteria.
- 7. The Participants shall meet once a year or more frequently depending on the possibilities. They will be informed on conference venue, subject and all other details related to such meetings at least one month prior to the meeting date and will be attended by at one or more representatives of each institution as determined by the responsible person of every particular institution.
- 8. Each conference can have its major subject.
- 9. Language used at conferences shall be the official language of the host country with provided interpretation in one of the participating parties' languages.
- 10. Conference costs shall be borne by the organizer that could ask for financial support.
- 11. The Participants have their web portals facilitating their mutual exchange and dissemination of information and their dispatch to other interested institutions and individuals.

- 12. The Participants agreed to access to the conclusion of Memorandum of co-operation based on this Statement.
- 13. The Participants agreed to extend co-operation foreseen hereby to the other institutions meeting criteria set out in Article 5.
- 14. Statement of Co-operation is prepared in official languages of the signatories and in English, which copy will be signed.

Sarajevo, 18 May 2010

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