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and
Committee on Foreign Affairs*

HEARING ON MINORITIES IN VOJVODINA

13 October 2005, 14.00 - 17.00

Room ASP 5G-3

(Altiero Spinelli building)

Draft Agenda

Opening and introductory remarks

14.00

Ms. Doris Pack, Chairperson of the Delegation for Relations with the Countries of South-East Europe

Position of the European Union institutions

14.05 - 14 35

- Representative of the European Commission, DG Enlargement
On the impact of the human/minority rights infringements in Vojvodina on the negotiations for a Stabilisation and Association Agreement and on EU aid
- **Mr. Stefan Lehne**, Director of the Task Force on the Western Balkans and Central Europe in the EU Council Secretariat
On the security risks connected with the possible 2006 decisions on Serbia-Montenegro, and on the potential role of the EU Monitoring Mission.

Debate

An overview of the situation from the institutions of the State-Union, the Republic and the autonomous province

15.00 - 15 45

- **Mr. Rasim Ljajic**, Minister for Human and Minorities Rights in the Council of Ministers of Serbia and Montenegro
On measures in force for minority protection and for the preparation of the police
- **Mr. Petar Ladjevic**, Secretary of the Council for National Minorities of the Republic of Serbia
On the activities and planned projects of the Council for National Minorities on human rights and minority protection issues

- **Mr. Bojan Pajtic**, President of the Executive Council of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina
On the functioning of the autonomy regime of the Province of Vojvodina, before and after 1989, and on the situation of minorities and their rights there
- **Mr. Zoltan Bunyik**, Member of the Executive Council of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina, Provincial Secretary of Education and Culture
On the activities of the Executive Council of Vojvodina aimed at minority rights protection, with particular regard to education and culture
- **Mr. Oliver Dulic**, Member of the Assembly of Serbia and Montenegro
On the State Union's parliamentary activity on human/minority rights issues

Debate

The view of the Representatives of the Minorities and of Human Rights organisations

16.10 - 16.40

- **Mr. Laszlo Jozsa**, President of the Hungarian National Council in Serbia
Selected case studies of minority harassment incidents in Vojvodina
- **Mr. Josip Zvonko Pekanović**, President of the Croatian National Council in Serbia
Selected case studies of minority harassment incidents in Vojvodina
- **Ms. Sonja Biserko**, President of the Helsinki Committee on Human Rights in Serbia
On the observatory activities of the Helsinki Committee on Human Rights in Serbia.

Debate

Concluding remarks

16.55

Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs