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European NPM Project's 6th Thematic NPM Workshop:

**“the protection of persons belonging to particularly vulnerable groups in places of
deprivation of liberty”**

Baku, Azerbaijan on 20-21 October 2011

Programme

A meeting co-organised with



Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan
NPM of Azerbaijan

Wednesday 19 October

20.00 Welcome Dinner

Thursday 20 October

Venue: Park Inn Hotel, Azadlig Avenue 1, AZ 1000, Baku, Azerbaijan

9.00 – 09.45 Welcome address

Elmira Suleymanova, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Markus Jaeger, Head of National Human Rights Co-operation Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe: Chair

Aisha Shujune Muhammad, Vice-President of the United Nations Sub-Committee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)

Anton Van Kalmthout, Member of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT) in respect of the Netherlands

09.45-10.15 Introduction: the link between vulnerable groups and ill-treatment

Silvia Casale, Consultant (former president of the CPT and the SPT)

10.15 – 10.45 (i) Women: the role of NPMs in the protection of women from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Aisha Shujune Muhammad, Vice-President of the SPT

10.45 – 11.15 *Coffee Break*

11.15 – 12.00 (i) (con't) Women in detention: normative standards and overall protection framework

Andrea Huber, Penal Reform International

Discussion on Part (i): all participants

12.00 – 12.45 (ii) Children: the role of NPMs in the protection of children from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Peter Green, Chairman of the European NPM Project Independent Medical Advisory Panel (IMAP), and Forensic Physician

Discussion: all participants

12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch*

14.00 – 14.45 (ii) Children (con't): the role of the SPT and the NPMs in the protection of children from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Victor Rodriguez Rescia, member of the SPT

Discussion on Part (ii): all participants

14.45 – 15.45 **(iii) Foreign nationals: the role of NPMs in the protection of foreign nationals from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention**

Mary Anne Agius, representative of the NPM of Malta

Anton Van Kalmthout, Member of the CPT in respect of the Netherlands

Discussion: all participants

15.45 – 16.15 *Coffee Break*

16.15 – 16.45 **(iii) Foreign nationals (con't)**

Discussion: all participants

16.45 – 18.00 **(iv) People with mental health problems or disabilities: the role of NPMs in the protection of health problems or disabilities from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention**

Mari Amos, representative of the NPM of Estonia and SPT member

Discussion: all participants

Friday 21 October

09.00 – 09.30 Vulnerable groups in detention: what strategies for NPMs?

Jean-Sebastien Blanc, Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT)

09.30 – 10.30 (v) Other health problems: the role of NPMs in the protection of people with other health problems from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Peter Green, Chairman of the European NPM Project Independent Medical Advisory Panel (IMAP), and Forensic Physician

Vugar Maharramov, Head of NPM group, representative of the NPM of Azerbaijan

Discussion: all participants

10.30 – 11.15 (vi) People under the influence of drugs or intoxicated: the role of NPMs in the protection of intoxicated persons risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Ervin Karamuco, representative of the NPM of Albania

11.15 – 11.45 *Coffee break*

11.45 – 12.30 (vi) Intoxicated persons (con't)

Discussion on Part (vi): all participants

12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch*

14.00 – 15.30 (vii) LGBT: the role of NPMs in the protection of LGBT persons from risks of ill-treatment in places of detention

Peter Dunn, Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Prisons

Marcin Kusy, representative of the NPM of Poland

Discussion: all participants

15.30 – 16.00 *Coffee break*

16.00 – 17.00 **Further discussions on vulnerable groups in detention¹**

17.00 – 17.45 **Close**

Markus Jaeger, Council of Europe

Aisha Shujune Muhammad, SPT

Anton Van Kalmthout, CPT

Elmira Suleymanova, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan

20.00 *Closing Dinner*

Saturday 22 October

Departure on Saturday morning from hotel to airport

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Interpretation will be in: Russian and English

¹ For example, issues affecting older prisoners; 'lifers'; and other vulnerable groups in detention.