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ON

FUNDING FOR POSITIONS OF ADVISORS IN THE TOLERANCE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION UNIT OF THE OFFICE OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

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Resolution

By Senator George V. Voinovich, United States July 2006 OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

- 1. Reaffirming that respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms, democracy, and the rule of law that is at the core of the OSCE's comprehensive concept of security,
- 2. Recalling the 1992 Helskinki Document which established the Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights' (ODIHR) mandate to help OSCE participating States "ensure full respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, to abide by rule of law, to promote principles of democracy and to build, strengthen and protect democratic institutions, as well as promote tolerance through society,"
- 3. <u>Reaffirming</u> the OSCE's commitment to make democracy and human rights a priority of the Organization,
- 4. Recalling the resolutions on anti-Semitism, tolerance, racism, and xenophobia that were unanimously passed by the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005, and the decisions and declarations taken by the OSCE in 2004 and 2005 on these same issues,
- 5. <u>Referring</u> to the commitments made by the participating States emerging from the OSCE conferences in Vienna (June 2003), Berlin (April 2004), Brussels (September 2004), and Cordoba (June 2005),
- 6. Recalling that the ODIHR Programme on Tolerance and Non-Discrimination was established in 2004 in response to new tasks assigned in this field regarding violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and that in 2005 ODIHR was tasked with assisting participating States in developing methodologies for collecting reliable statistics about hate crimes and violent manifestations of intolerance and discrimination,
- 7. Recognizing and commending the role of the personnel who advance ODIHR's Programme on Tolerance and Non-Discrimination, specifically the three advisors on anti-Semitism, discrimination against Muslims, and racism, xenophobia and discrimination, and their support of the three Personal Representatives of the OSCE Chair-in-Office on Combating anti-Semitism, on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims, and on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, including Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions,

8. <u>Emphasizing</u> the importance of providing funding for the required personnel in the OSCE's core budget so that ODIHR may adequately staff the Programme on Tolerance and Non-Discrimination, fulfill its purpose within the OSCE, and affirm the OSCE's permanent commitment to fighting intolerance,

The Parliamentary Assembly of the OSCE

- 9. <u>Recommends</u> the Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) request full funding in the OSCE's core budget for 2007 for the personnel resources required for its Programme on Tolerance and Non-Discrimination, citing any shortfalls:
- 10. <u>Urges</u> OSCE to provide the required amount of funding to ODIHR in the 2007 budget as needed to support its human resources requirement for the Programme on Tolerance and Non-Discrimination, including for all advisors on issues related to anti-Semitism, intolerance against Muslims, racism and xenophobia.

AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

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