BAN REVIEW CONFERENCE

Geneva, 20-24 April 2009

Journal

Thursday, 23 April 2009

PLENARY

Seventh meeting: Assembly Hall – 10:00 to 13:00

Eighth meeting: Assembly Hall - 13:00 to 15:00

Ninth meeting: Assembly Hall - 15:00 to 18:00

Item 3: High-level segment

10:00 H.E. Mr. Karel de Gucht, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belgium

General Segment

Member States (5 minutes)

Togo Guatemala Malaysia Guyana Vietnam Benin

Belarus Democratic Republic of the Congo

Saudi Arabia Luxembourg
Eritrea Turkey
Republic of Korea Afghanistan
Portugal Angola

Rwanda Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Slovenia Denmark

Representatives of UN Specialized Agencies, Programmes and Funds as well as Intergovernmental Organizations including regional Organizations (3 minutes)

League of Arab States OIF UNESCO UNAIDS

ILOInter-American Development BankAfrican UnionCenter for Human Rights and CulturalPan-African ParliamentDiversity of the Non-Aligned Movement

UN Treaty Bodies and HRC Special Procedures

Independent Eminent Experts:

- His Royal Highness Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan (video message)
- Dr. Edna Maria Santos Roland of Brazil

Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women

Vice Chair of the Human Rights Committee

Chair of the Coordinating Committee of Special Procedures

Chair of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Working Group of experts on People of African Descent

National Human Rights Institutions

Representative of the ICC

Item 9: Issues arising from the objectives of the Conference

Member States (5 minutes)

China Brazil

Iran Russian Federation

Democratic People's Republic Ecuador of Korea Bulgaria Sri Lanka Japan Nepal Argentina

Sweden (on behalf of the EU)

Representatives of UN Specialized Agencies, Programmes and Funds as well as Intergovernmental Organizations including regional Organizations (3 minutes)

Center for Human Rights and Cultural Diversity of the Non-Aligned Movement

UN Treaty Bodies and HRC Special Procedures

Special Rapporteur on racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance Independent Expert on minority issues

Special Rapporteur on freedom of expression

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences

Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion and belief

Side events and cultural activities

Wednesday, 15 April 2009 to Friday, 24 April 2009

"Lest we forget: Triumph over slavery" photo exhibition Organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization "Celebrating intersectionality: Understanding race and multiple forms of discrimination within the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action"

Organized by EGALE Canada Room XXVII: 12.00 to 2.00 pm

"The role of intercultural dialogue in the struggle against racism"
Organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Room XXI: 1.00 to 3.00 pm

Announcements

Credentials

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with Rule 3 of the Provisional Rules of Procedure for the Durban Conference the credentials of representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Review Conference, if possible not less than one week before the opening of the Review Conference. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Delegations are requested to deposit their credentials in room A-669. Alternatively, copies can be sent by fax to the following number: +41 (0)22 917 03 59.

NGO Liaison Office

The NGO liaison office is operational as of 14 April at Palais des Nations E 3062, 3rd Floor, Block E, to assist the NGOs on any matters related to the Durban Review Conference. The NGO liaison team can be contacted at Telephone numbers: +41 (0) 22 917 7383 (Mr. Tsatsu Dawson), +41 (0) 22 917 73 84 (Ms. Constanze Schimmel), +41 (0) 22 917 73 85. Email: NGODurbanRevConf@ohchr.org.

Secondary badges

The Plenary and the main committee meetings will take place in the Salle des Assemblées, Palais des Nations. Representatives of accredited NGOs will require a secondary daily badge to access Salle des Assemblées and Room XX. Secondary badges will provide access to 396 reserved seats, consisting of 60 seats on the ground floor, 144 seats on the 5th floor gallery and 192 seats on the 6th floor gallery for NGOs in Salle des Assemblées. For NGOs, 71 seats will be available in the gallery and 45 more seats will also be available in the public gallery above Room XX. Due to the large number of NGOs expected to participate in the Durban Review Conference and the limited number of seats allocated to NGOs and Observers, only one secondary badge per NGO will be issued. Secondary badges will be distributed daily from 08:00, on a first-come-first-served basis, by the Secretariat at the registration tent situated between the Ariana Museum and the Restaurant de Vieux-Bois near Pregny gate. NGOs on the list of speakers will be issued such secondary badges to the ground floor of the Salle des Assemblées.

Written statements

NGOs accredited to the Durban Review Conference may submit written statements to the Conference in accordance with rule 67 of the provisional rules of procedure which provides that such written statements will be distributed by the Secretariat to all delegations in the quantities and in the language in which the statements are made available by the NGOs concerned to the Secretariat of the Review Conference. A statement submitted on behalf of an NGO needs to be related to the work of the Review Conference and be on a subject in which this NGO has a special competence. All materials must be on the organization's letterhead with logo and bear the stamp of the submitting organization. Materials containing abusive and offensive language will not be accepted for distribution.

NGOs are encouraged to send written statements in advance which may also be delivered in person during the five days of the Conference to: NGO liaison Office at the Palais des Nations Room E-3062 where the Secretariat will receive and record written statements prior to their distribution. NGOs are requested to make copies of their statement only after their statement has been logged. The NGOs may send advance copies of written statements to: NGODurbanRevConf@ohchr.org with WRITTEN STATEMENT as the subject line. The written statements will be made available to the participants and will be placed on the Durban Review Conference Extranet.

Daily briefings with NGOs

Daily briefings, from 22 to 24 April, will be held with NGOs in Room XII by the Civil Society Unit from 09:30 to 10:00.

Information on the NGO list of speakers

The deadline for registering on the NGO list of speakers was Wednesday, 22 April at 13:00. The list of speakers is closed now. New requests for inscriptions cannot be accepted. If you have already registered, please confirm your number on the NGO list of speakers and bring 25 copies of your oral statement to the NGO Liaison Office, E.3060. The speaking time will be 3 minutes.

We will distribute the **secondary badges** for access to the Salle des Assemblées on Thursday, 23 April from 8.00 to 10:00 a.m. outside the NGO Liaison Office for those inscribed on the NGO list of speakers.

Side events

A number of meeting rooms have been made available for the organization of side events with requests received by the Secretariat by 14 April, for participants accredited to the Conference. Such events will be held daily during the period of the Review Conference at the Palais des Nations.

The OHCHR as part of the program of side events is hosting a number relating to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action. Information on these side events will also be posted on the Durban Review Conference website at: www.un.org/durbanreview2009/updates. Any additional queries on side events should be sent by email to: reviewconferenceevent@ohchr.org or by fax to: +41 (0) 22 928 90 50.

A daily journal will be issued and distributed at Door 40. A calendar for all side-events will also be available at Door 40 for ease of reference. Both shall also be available at the OHCHR information stand.

Filming during side events: The use of cameras/video recorders Declaration