



DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE

Geneva, 20-24 April 2009

Journal

Monday, 20 April 2009

Inaugural panel discussion

“United against racism”

Panel discussion organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and hosted by the High Commissioner for Human Rights

Assembly Hall: 9.00 to 10.00 am

Plenary

First meeting: Assembly Hall: 10.00 to 13.00

Opening of the Conference

- Opening statement by the Secretary-General
- Statement by the President of the Human Rights Council
- Message by the President of the General Assembly
- Address by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Message by Nelson Mandela

Item 2: Election of the President of the Review Conference

Item 4: Adoption of the rules of procedure

Item 5: Election of other officers of the Conference

Item 6: Establishment of the Credentials Committee

Item 7: Adoption of the agenda

Item 8: Organization of work: establishment of the Main Committee and the Drafting Committee

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Second meeting: Assembly Hall: 15.00 to 18.00

Item 3: High-level segment / General segment

- 15:00 H.E. Dr. Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
- 15:07 H.E. Mr. Jonas Gahr Store, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Norway
- 15:14 H.E. Ms. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Minister for Foreign Affairs of South Africa
- 15:21 H.E. Mr. Jean-Marie Ehouzou, Minister for Foreign Affairs, African Integration, Francophonie and Beninois Abroad of Benin
- 15:28 H.E. Mr. Henri Eyebe Ayissi, Minister for External Relations of Cameroon
- 15:35 H.E. Chief Ojo Maduekwe, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nigeria
- 15:42 Hon. Bernard Kamillius Membe, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania
- 15:49 Hon. Dikgakgamatso N. Seretse, Minister of Defence, Justice and Security of Botswana
- 15:56 H.E. Mr. Edson Santos, Chief Minister, Special Secretariat for Policies for the Promotion of Racial Equality of Brazil
- 16:02 H. E. Ms. Fayza Abounaga, Minister of International Cooperation of Egypt
- 16:09 Hon. Douglas Devananda, Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare of Sri Lanka
- 16:16 H. E. Mrs. Maria Benvinda Levi, Minister of Justice of Mozambique
- 16:23 H.E. Maitre Madicke Niang, Minister of State for Justice of Senegal
- 16:30 H.E. Mr. Béchir Tekari, Minister of Justice and Human Rights of Tunisia
- 16:37 H.E. Mr. Abdelwahad Radi, Minister for Justice of Morocco
- 16:44 H.E. Mr. Jan Kohout, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- 16:51 H.E. Prof. Ekmeleddine Ihsanoglu, Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference
- 16:58 H.E. Ms. Perla Bustamante, President National Council for the Prevention of Discrimination of Mexico
- 17:05 H.E. Ms. Teresa Ribeiro, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Portugal
- 17:12 H.E. Mr. Saif Mugaddam Al Buainain, Assistant Foreign Minister of Qatar
- 17:20 Mr. Anders B. Johnsson, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

Side events and cultural activities

Monday, 20 April 2009 to Friday, 24 April 2009

“Feel the world” photo exhibition
organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the United Nations
High Commissioner for Human Rights under the patronage of the Director-General
of the United Nations Office at Geneva
Salle des Pas Perdus

“Diversity and non-discrimination” photo exhibition
organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico
Mezzanine

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Serpentine Bar

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Information stand sponsored by the United Nations Children's Fund
Serpentine Bar

Information stand sponsored by the European Commission
Serpentine Bar

Stand sponsored by the Bookshop of the United Nations Office at Geneva
Serpentine Bar

Welcome desk for non-governmental organizations sponsored by Mandat International
between Rooms XI and XII and also Serpentine Bar

“From victim to contributor: The global fight against racism –
sharing the best and worst of the Jewish experience”
organized by Community Security Trust
Room XXIV: 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

“Combating intolerance and multiple and aggravated forms of discrimination”
organized by UN Watch, Freedom House, Becket Fund for Religious Liberty
and Centrist Democrat International
Room XXVII: 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm

Launch of photo exhibition “Feel the world” and opening reception
organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland
Salle des Pas Perdus: 1.15 to 2.45 pm

“Combating racism in the world of work”
organized by the International Labour Organization
Room XXV: 1.30 to 3.00 pm

“Voices: Everyone affected by racism has a story that should be heard”
organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Permanent Gallery Space, Third Floor, E-building: 2.30 to 4.00 pm

“The role of national human rights institutions in implementing the Durban Declaration
and Programme of Action”
organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Room XXI: 3.00 to 6.00 pm

Wednesday, 15 April 2009 to Friday, 24 April 2009
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“Lest we forget: Triumph over slavery” photo exhibition
organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
Passerelle

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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 E 2072. Alternatively, copies can be sent by fax to the following number: + 41 (0)22 917 04 78.

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.

NGO briefing

Mr. Ibrahim Salama, OHCHR Coordinator for Durban Review Conference, will hold briefing with NGOs on Monday, 20 April 2009, in Room XVI at 18:30. Interpretation will be available.

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

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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.

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 during side events is not permitted. Only journalists and camerapersons duly accredited with the United Nations Office at Geneva are allowed to use camera and video equipment during the side events.

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