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SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

DRAFT RESOLUTION

ON

“NATIONAL MINORITIES”

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1. Convinced that conflict prevention is one of the major aspects of the general remit given to the OSCE,
2. Noting that in this connection, the question of protecting national minorities against the background of guaranteeing State sovereignty is a crucial issue for both rights and security within the OSCE area,
3. Concerned by the situation of tension in various States, which flared up dramatically in Kyrgyzstan last year,
4. Convinced that the OSCE is concretely and effectively concerning itself with the question of national minorities, also by the establishment of the High Commissioner for National Minorities,
5. Considering that in 2008 the High Commissioner for National Minorities issued the 19 Bolzano Recommendations, to be used as guidelines for governments regarding implementation of a sound policy to protect the rights of national minorities within the framework of interstate relations,
6. Noting that scholars and the academic world also consider the Bolzano Recommendations to be a useful benchmark for establishing fair policies for national minorities, as was recently confirmed at the Bolzano Seminar organised by the Italian Delegation on 20 May, 2011,
7. Noting that the 19 Bolzano Recommendations have now joined the fundamental recommendations in this matter issued by the Council of Europe as a specific benchmark model,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

8. Hopes that the Parliaments of the member countries, acting synergistically with the lawful representatives of minorities, will rapidly appraise the compatibility of their own legislation over this matter with the principles of the 2008 Bolzano Recommendations.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the DRAFT RESOLUTION

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