THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
AND THE PROMOTION OF THE RULE OF LAW

Regional Parliamentary Conference for
the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

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Moscow, Russian State Duma (New Building, Hall N 830)
11-12 February 2003

PROGRAMME

Sunday, 9th February 2003 or Monday, 10th February 2003
Arrival of international participants to the Hotel “National”

Monday, 10th February 2003
19:00   Welcoming Reception for the participants at the Yaroslavl Hall of the Hotel “National”

Tuesday, 11th February 2002

08:15 h.   Departure from the Hotel to the Duma.
08:30 h.   Arrival to the Duma.
           - Registration and accreditation of participants.
           - Collection of the pertinent documentation in the Duma.
09:00 h.   Opening session: “THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THE ROLE OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND CIS STATES”

Opening of the Conference - Welcome Remarks on behalf of the Russian State Duma
H.E. Ms. Lubov Sliska, First Vice-president of the Russian State Duma

Welcome Remarks on behalf of the Council of the Federation of the Federal Assembly of the RF
H.E. Mr. Valery Pavlovich Goregljad, First Deputy Chairperson of the Council of Federation

Remarks introducing the objectives of the Conference
Hon. Dmitry Rogozin, Chairperson of the Committee for Foreign Relations, State Duma
Hon. Mikhail Grishankov, Deputy Chairperson of the Committee on Security, Russian State Duma; Member of PGA, Russian Federation

Remarks on behalf of the Presidency of the European Union (EU) and the European Commission
H.E. Mr. Dimitrios Paraskevopoulos, Ambassador of Greece to the Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Richard Wright, Head of the Delegation of the European Commission in the RF

Remarks on behalf of PGA
Ms. Shazia Z. Rafi, Secretary General, Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA)
09.45 h. **First session: “The Entry into Force of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the Impact of the ICC on International Relations”**

**Chair:** Hon. Mikhail Grishankov, Deputy Chairperson of the Committee on Security, Duma

**Speakers:**
- Sen. Longin Pastusiak (Poland), President of the Senate of Poland
- Dr. Roman A. Kolodkin, Director of the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation
- Mr. Gerritjan van Oven, MP, The Netherlands; founding member of the “Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for the ICC” under the auspices of PGA

**Intervention:** Professor Stanislav Chernichenko, Head, Center for International Law and Humanitarian Problems, Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation

**Discussion**

11.00 h. Coffee Break

11:20 h. **First session [continued]: “The International Criminal Court (ICC): A Tool to Promote Human Rights and Fight Terrorism?”**

**Chair:** Hon. Mikhail Grishankov, MD, Deputy Chairperson, Committee on Security, Duma

**Speakers:**
- Hon. Evgeny Alekseevich Zelenov, MD, Duma; Chair of the Committee for Defense and Security of the CIS Inter-Parliamentary Association (CIS IPA)
- Hon. Adv. Enrico Nan, MP (Italy), Deputy Chair of the Special Commission of Enquiry
- Hon. Zakaria Kutsnashvili, MP (Georgia), First Deputy Chairman of Legal Committee, Parliament of Georgia

**Written statement of Mr. Anatoly Sergeevich Kulikov, MD, Duma; Deputy Chairperson of the Committee on Security; former Minister of Interiors, Russian Federation**

**Discussion**

12:45 h. Luncheon in the Duma.
14:30 h.  Second session: “RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC MECHANISMS TO FIGHT INTERNATIONAL CRIMES”

Chair:  Hon. Prof. Elena B. Mizulina, Deputy Chairperson, Committee for Legislation and Judicial Reform, Russian State Duma; Chairperson of the General Committee for Democracy, Human Rights and Humanitarian Problems, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Speakers:  Dr. Michel Minnig (Switzerland), Head of the Delegation in Russia, International Committee of the Red Cross

Prof. Vladimir Nikolaevich Kundrjavcev (Russia), Member of the Academy of Sciences; editor of the book “The Nuremberg Trials and International Law”
   a) the legacy of the Nuremberg Principles
   b) the incorporation of the Nuremberg Crimes in National Penal Codes
   c) the permanent International Criminal Court: beyond “victors’ justice”?

Prof. Flavia Lattanzi (Italy), Univ. of Rome III; Director, “Master on International Cooperation against International and Transnational Crimes”, Univ. of Teramo; Member of the International Humanitarian Fact Finding Commission (Geneva)
   a) Complementarity of the ICC and National justice systems in preventing and repressing mass-criminality
   b) Possibility to characterize terrorists’ atrocities as crimes against humanity
   c) Differing regime of international terrorism and crimes against humanity
   d) International justice as a means to de-politicize the repression of international crimes?

Representative of Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC)

Round Table Discussion with Parliamentarians

16.00 h.  Coffee Break.


Chair:  Sen. Longin Pastusiak, President of the Senate of Poland; Executive Committee, PGA

Speakers:  Hon. Viktor Mysiaka, MP, Chairperson of Subcommittee within the Committee on Legal Policies, Parliament of Ukraine

Hon. Faizullo Amiraliev, MP, Committee on Constitution, Law and Human Rights, Parliament of Tajikistan  [* Tajikistan ratified the ICC Statute]

Hon. Mikhail Sidorov, MP, Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee, Parliament of the Republic of Moldova

Hon. Kudanichbek Dzholdoshev, MP, Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic

Hon. Khamit Amerguszhin, MP, Committee on Economic Reform and Regional Development, Parliament of Kazakhstan

Hon. Mr. Gokava Irakli, MP, Chairperson of the Sub-committee within Foreign Relations Committee, Parliament of Georgia

Hon. Mr. Mikhail Zabelin, MP, Deputy Chair of the Commission on Human Rights, Parliament of Azerbaijan
17:45 h. Discussion: how to overcome the obstacles to ratification and facilitate the participation of CIS countries in the ICC system?

18:30 h. Conclusions

20:00 h. Official Dinner for invited participants

**Wednesday, 12th February 2003**

08:30 h. Departure from the Hotel to the Duma.

09:00-09:55 h. Guided tour of the Duma

09:00-09:55 h. Meeting of Drafting Committee on the Conference’s Final Document (closed session)

10:00 h. Special session: “LEGISLATION TO IMPLEMENT THE ICC STATUTE IN THE NATIONAL LEGAL ORDER: ENSURING STATES’ COOPERATION WITH THE ICC”

Chair: Hon. Mr. Valery Vorotnikov, MP, Deputy Chair, Committee for Legislation, State Duma

Speakers:
- Mr. Mikhail Paleev, Counsel to the Head of the Main State-Legal Office of Presidential Administration of the Russian Federation; Member of the Russian Delegation to the UN Preparatory Commission for the ICC
- Hon. Gassan B. Mirzoev, MP, Deputy Chair of the Committee on State Building, Duma; President of the Russian Bar Association
- Mr. Dean Zagorac (Slovenia), Representative of Amnesty International, International Justice Programme
- Mr. Nizami Safarov (Azerbaijan), Head of the Department of Administrative and Military Legislation, National Assembly of the Republic of Azerbaijan

11:20 h. Coffee Break

11:30 h. Third session: “A FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE CONFERENCE”
- Open discussion among participants
- Deliberation (adoption, as appropriate) on the Final Document

Chair: Sen. Raynell Andreychuk (Canada), Convenor, International Law & Human Rights Programme, PGA

13:20 h.

“CLOSURE OF THE CONFERENCE”

Sen. Raynell Andreychuk (Canada)
Hon. Ms. Svetlana Smirnova, MP, Deputy Chair, Committee on Federation Affairs and Regional Politics, Duma; Member of the International Council of PGA

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