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**EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW**  
**(VENICE COMMISSION)**

**10<sup>th</sup> MEETING**  
**OF THE COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS**  
**(Venice, 9 October 2004 at 2 p.m.)**

**DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

## **1. Adoption of the agenda**

The Council is invited to adopt its agenda as it appears in the present document.

## **2. Media monitoring during election observation missions**

The Council is invited to adopt the comments on media monitoring during election observation missions by Ms Herdis Thorgeirsdottir and Mr Masters ([CDL-EL\(2004\)012](#) and [013](#); cf. the “Guidelines on media monitoring during election observations missions” by the OSCE).

## **3. Forms for election observation**

The Council is invited to adopt the draft simplified version of the election observation forms prepared by Mr Casagrande, and the comments provided by Mr Owen on this draft ([CDL-EL\(2004\)014](#) and [015](#) ; cf. [CDL-EL\(2004\)019](#) and [CDL-AD\(2003\)010](#)).

## **4. Electoral rules and affirmative action for national minorities**

The Council is invited to adopt the report on electoral rules and affirmative action for national minorities, prepared by Ms Lazarova Trajkovska ([CDL-EL\(2004\)020](#)).

## **5. Revision of the Armenian Electoral Code**

The Council is invited to adopt the draft joint opinion of the Venice Commission and OSCE/ODIHR on the draft amendments to the electoral code of Armenia, on the basis of comments by Messrs Annus, Hjörtur Torfason and Pilgrim ([CDL-EL\(2004\)016](#); see documents [CDL\(2004\)074](#), [CDL\(2003\)052](#), [CDL-AD\(2003\)021](#) et the additional considerations by experts of the Venice Commission and OSCE/ODIHR of March 2004).

## **6. “Vota” database**

The Secretariat will inform about progress on the “vota” database.

## **7. Co-operation with other organisations**

Ms Dezsö will inform the Council about the annual ACEEEO conference, held in Tirana on 9-11 September 2004.

The Secretariat will inform the Council about the meeting on election support held in Brussels on 28-29 September 2004, and in particular on the question of principles for international election observation.

## **8. Future activities**

The members are invited to submit proposals for future activities.