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VILNIUS DECLARATION

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OSCE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

AND

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

AT THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

VILNIUS, 29 JUNE to 3 JULY 2009

Rep. Smith's Amendments to the Vilnius Declaration in 2009: Chapter III Democracy, Human Rights, and Humanitarian Questions

Amendment 1 (Paragraph 77)

<u>Concerned</u> over the continued sexual abuse and exploitation of children and <u>calling</u> <u>attention</u> to the need for enhanced action by participating States to prevent such abuse and exploitation, prosecute the perpetrators, and provide appropriate care to child victims and their families:

Amendment 2 (Paragraph 90)

<u>Calls</u> upon parliamentarians from the participating States to introduce and promote the adoption of comprehensive legislation aimed at preventing the sexual abuse and exploitation of children, which should provide for creation of comprehensive registers of persons convicted of child sex abuse or exploitation, severe penalties for the perpetrators of such abuse and exploitation, and appropriate care to child victims and their families;

Amendment 3 (Paragraph 92)

<u>Urges</u> the Participating States to strengthen the mutual co-operation of their law enforcement and prosecuting agencies in efforts to combat the sexual abuse and exploitation of children, including by providing notice to appropriate officials of another State when a known sex offender travels to that State and, for that purpose, to ensure that convicted child sex offenders are required to notify the appropriate domestic officials before travelling to another State, and penalise the failure to comply;

Amendment 4 (Paragraph 89)

Urges those Participating States that have not done so to establish national telephone hotlines for reporting sexually abused, exploited, or missing children, including children sexually abused and exploited by sex tourism, prostitution, trafficking, and pornography;

Amendment 5 (Paragraph 91)

Requests the OSCE Strategic Police Matters Unit to assist law enforcement agencies of the participating States to develop strategies for combating the sexual abuse and exploitation of children.