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To
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CoE/CSCE - working party

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----- L E T T E R n o 4 -----

The progress since my letter of May the 10th are the following:

1) Additional protocol

Ole Espersen has been appointed as rapporteur in the legal subcommittee on the draft recommendation.

2) NGO-status for ILGA

Ole Espersen has promised to follow up on this question late this month.

3) Ensuring lesbian and gay rights to be taken in account when East- and centraleuropean countries wants to join CoE

./. A letter from DNF-48 is enclosed - and you are all asked to try to provide the wanted documentation.

4) Model aids-legislation

We still are waiting for a report from COC !!

5) CSCE-process:

./. A letter from HOSI-Wien is enclosed with report on all our tasks. All workingparty members are invited to contact their national delegation to the Moscow meeting this October.

./. I would like to mention the possibility of taking part in the parallel activities as well - adress of the coordinator is enclosed.

I hope you all are well and happy.

Yours


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Dear Steffen,

Thanks for your letters of January 2, February, and May 10, 1991.

Here a short report about the actions HOSI Wien has undertaken in the CoE/CSCE matters:

- ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL - COUNCIL OF EUROPE

As requested, we have sent letters (on 7 March 1991) to the four Austrian members in the Legal and Social Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (copy enclosed - letter to Dr. Fuhrmann).

Until today, we have only received a reply from one of these people telling us that she will soon leave her post/function both in the Austrian Parliament and in Strasbourg.

In April, there was a major rotation of the Austrian representatives in Strasbourg - except from Dr. Fuhrmann, all Austrian members of the two Committees have been replaced by other parliamentarians. Therefore, we will have to contact these new members which will happen in the next days (similar letter as to Dr. Fuhrmann).

We are, however, not very optimistic that the Austrian CoE members will support the motion/recommendation for the additional protocol.

- MODEL AIDS LEGISLATION - COUNCIL OF EUROPE

Concerning the CoE's model legislation on AIDS, I can inform you that the Working Committee of the European Council of AIDS Service Organisation (EuroCASO) has met in London last month and decided to write to the CoE to offer EuroCASO's cooperation and input in drafting such a model legislation (copies of my background paper for this meeting of the EuroCASO Working Committee, of the letter to the CoE, and of a letter from the Austrian Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs to HOSI Wien concerning this matter are enclosed for your information).

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- CONFERENCE FOR SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE - CSCE

On behalf of HOSI Wien, I had a short informal telephone conversation with the Austrian Ministry for Foreign Affairs. They confirmed that the next opportunity to discuss Human Rights in the frame of the CSCE process would be the Moscow Symposium in September 1991 which has only recommending character. In March 1992, the next CSCE Follow-up Meeting will start in Helsinki and deal again with all "baskets" of the CSCE process including Human Rights.

HOSI Wien will contact the leader of the Austrian CSCE Delegation to lobby "our" case in July 1991.

- SUGGESTIONS:

Instead of a policy paper, HOSI Wien would propose that lesbian and gay organisation in all CSCE countries get in contact with their national CSCE delegations to lobby in favour of putting gay and lesbian rights on the CSCE agenda. These contacts should be made soon, e. g., before the Moscow Symposium.

The national CSCE delegations should also be addressed regarding the Follow-Up Meeting in Helsinki.

Additionally, ILGA may write identical letters directly to all delegations, either via the permanent CSCE Secretariat in Prague or to the Follow-Up Meeting in Helsinki (maybe SETA could assist).

(On the occasion of the CSCE Follow-Up Meeting in Vienna in 1983/84, HOSI Wien had written to all 35 delegations. The letters were distributed on the very opening day of the Meeting by the conference secretariat.)

This is the address of the

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I am sorry that we cannot report any concrete results.

Since I will not go to Guadalajara, please, discuss the CoE/CSCE matters with John Clark.

Best regards, yours

Kurt Krickler



PS:

CSCE SYMPOSIUM MOSCOW

Aart Hendriks from COC and Homostudies just informed me that a Working Secretariat has been set up to arrange facilities for those who plan to carry out any "parallel activities" to the CSCE Human Rights Symposium. In this respect, the organisation is similar to Copenhagen in 1990.

Morten Kjærum, director of the Danish Center of Human Rights, is a member of the preparatory committee - as you certainly know - and would like to be kept informed about any plans for parallel activities.

Here the addresses:

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