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## A. Council of Europe Business

*Additional protocol to the European Convention on Human Rights (prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation).*

*No news!*

*NGO status of ILGA to the Council of Europe*

No news!

*Lesbian and gay rights in Central- and Eastern European countries applying for membership of the Council of Europe*

11 members of the Parliamentary Assembly have submitted a written declaration on homosexual rights in the new democracies. See the attached.

We have congratulated Ole Espersen to the initiative and ask you to do the same to other signers.

Furthermore we have received a report from Scott Long about the situation for gay men and lesbians in Romania. The report has been sent on to Ole Espersen and Theodors Pangalos. A copy of the report can be obtained by Alexandra Duda.

## B. The CSCE - CHD process

*CSCE seminar on migration in Warsaw 19-23 April 1993*

The LBL has inquired by the foreign ministry whether 1) we could be appointed as a part of the Danish delegation, 2) whether the ministry would pay for our participation as a NGO, and if none of these wishes could be fulfilled, we offered a paper on the situation for gay/lesbian migrants to the Danish delegation. The answer to 1) was that the delegation had already been appointed (with rather pro gay/lesbian delegates), 2) has not been decided yet (no we doubt). The Danish delegation would very like to receive a paper on the situation for migrant homosexuals to be used at the seminar. The LBL Asylum group has - together with us - produced such a paper. But as it in Danish is it sent out. Danish reading receivers of the Euro-Letter can obtain the paper from Peter Bryld.

*CSCE seminar on minorities in Warsaw 24-28 May 1993*

Kurt Krickler has sent a copy the draft programme for this 3rd CSCE seminar. It does only include items on national and ethnic minorities and in spite of that it is Kurts opinion that ILGA should not take part in this seminar.

In our opinion we should try to influence the agenda of the seminar so that is also included other minorities. The LBL will mention the problem to our foreign ministry and ask them to raise our issue.

## **C. EC Businesses**

### ***The report "Homosexuality - A Community Issue" and the launch of it.***

The report will be available during the second week of April and will be launched in Bruxelles during the week of 26 April. As agreed in Bruxelles the launch in other EC countries should take place after that time. Please go ahead and make arrangements in your country!

### ***Draft report of the EP Committee on Civil Liberties and Equal Treatment of Lesbians and Gays in the EC***

The time schedule is:

Submission of Explanatory Memorandum to the Committee: 17. March 1993

Resolution including amendments: 30. June or 1. July 1993

Debate in The European Parliament: 3. September 1993.

The report will be sent to you as soon as we receive it.

### ***The ECAS-seminar on discrimination***

The seminar in Bruxelles 6-10 September 1993 has been confirmed. No further details are known.