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# **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM**

**DRAFT RESOLUTION**

**ON**

## **RECOGNITION OF THE YOGYAKARTA PRINCIPLES ON THE APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW IN RELATION TO SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY**

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## DRAFT RESOLUTION

### **Recognition of the Yogyakarta Principles on the application of international human rights law in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity**

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1. Noting that the Yogyakarta Principles were codified in 2006 by a group of lawyers and human rights experts and that they concern the application of those rights in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity,
2. Bearing in mind that many parliaments and countries have adopted the Yogyakarta Principles,
3. Noting that on 18 December 2008, the UN General Assembly called for a global decriminalization of homosexuality,
4. Bearing in mind the Council of Europe report of 23 March 2010 regarding discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity,
5. Recalling article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 10 December 1948, which states that “All human beings are born free and equal in (...) rights”,
6. Recalling the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of 4 November 1950,
7. Recalling the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights of 16 December 1966, in particular articles 2 and 3 (which prohibit any discrimination in the enjoyment and observance of the rights recognized in the Covenant) and article 26 (which establishes the right to the protection of the law without discrimination of any kind),
8. Underscoring that, by recognizing the Yogyakarta Principles, the Parliamentary Assembly will enhance the coherence and effectiveness of the measures that each participating State takes to ensure protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity,
9. Emphasizing that it is highly desirable to endorse the Yogyakarta Principles and to promote their application worldwide,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

10. Calls on the OSCE to recognize the 29 Yogyakarta Principles;
11. Calls on the OSCE to defend the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transsexual persons (LGBTs) enunciated in the Yogyakarta Principles in its contacts with non-participating States of the OSCE in which homosexuality is still punishable and other Yogyakarta Principles are infringed;
12. Invites the OSCE to call on the participating States to respect those Principles.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the DRAFT RESOLUTION**

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