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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

of: CIREA Working Party

on: 23 September 1994

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Working Party approved the agenda as given in telex No 3190 of 6 September 1994 and agreed to add a number of items under "Other business".

2. Exchange of information on asylum

(7846/94 CIREA 20
8422/94 ADD 1 CIREA 21
8629/94 CIREA 22
9126/94 CIREA 25
9479/94 CIREA 33)

Delegations presented legislative and administrative amendments on asylum recently adopted or currently under examination.

A document on practical provisions was produced on the basis of delegations' written contributions and circulated at the meeting (9481/94 CIREA 34).

3. Examination of the situation regarding certain third countries which generate requests for asylum: Turkey

(9372/94 CIREA 27
9373/94 CIREA 28
9426/94 CIREA 29
9452/94 CIREA 30
9478/94 CIREA 32
9490/94 CIREA 35
SN 3802/94)

Member States' delegations discussed their experience with the processing of asylum applications from Turkish nationals.

Several delegations asked for a joint report on Turkey as had been decided on earlier.

4. Preparation of the next meeting of the CIREA, concerning civil war
(9036/94 CIREA 24)

Delegations were asked to send their replies to the questionnaire to be drawn up on civil war to the General Secretariat so that a summary could be prepared for the next Working Party meeting

The Working Party also decided to concentrate its discussions on Angola, Liberia and Somalia. The situation in Sri Lanka would be studied at a later date. Finally, the Presidency is to ask for a written contribution from the HCR.

5. Other business

(a) **Relations between the CDR/HCR and the CIREA**

(6958/94 CIREA 13
7272/94 JUR 123 CIREA 15 and COR 1
8830/94 CIREA 23
9291/94 CIREA 26)

Following consultation of the Legal Service of the General Secretariat, it was agreed:

- to adjust the draft agreement submitted by the CDR/HCR and the General Secretariat of the Council;

- to prepare a draft Council Decision authorizing the communication of CIREA documents to the HCR to be discussed at a future meeting of the Asylum Working Party.

(b) **Situation in Cuba and in Algeria**

On a proposal from the Spanish delegation, the Working Party agreed to address the question of the Cuban situation at its December meeting.

The Working Party deemed it preferable to hold over any discussion on Algeria until the first half of 1995.

(c) **Public access to certain CIREA documents**

The Netherlands delegation announced that the Council had recently authorized the making available to the public of documents 7471/94 CIREA 16, 7472/94 CIREA 17, 7473/94 CIREA 18 and 7474/94 CIREA 19.

(d) **Study on the harmonization of statistics on asylum and refugees**

The Commission circulated a study carried out for EUROSTAT by a Dutch demographic institute (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute).