



The Human Rights Advisory Panel

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HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISORY PANEL

The Human Rights Advisory Panel (the Panel) held its fifth session in Pristine/Pristina from 7 to 11 April, 2008.

The Panel continued with its examination of complaints, requested further evidence from complainants in two cases, and decided that two complaints were inadmissible on jurisdictional grounds and non exhaustion of available remedies respectively.

The Panel declared that one complaint was admissible and is referring the matter to the Special Representative of the Secretary General for his response to a specific question in accordance with section 11.3 of UNMIK Regulation No. 2006/12. The Panel has also referred a complaint to the Special Representative of the Secretary General with detailed questions prior to making a determination on admissibility.

The Panel decided, pursuant to Rule 46 of its Rules of Procedure, that there were no grounds to alter its earlier decision to refuse a request for review its decision to declare a case inadmissible, because the complainant did not reveal any facts that could not reasonably have been known to him at the time the original decision was delivered.

The Panel held meetings with Mr. Roy Reeve, Head of the European Union Planning Team for Kosovo and with Mr. Rexhep Hajimusa, President of the Supreme Court of Kosovo on 9 and 10 April respectively.

The Panel's Secretariat continued with its public information campaign through the distribution of information leaflets to municipalities, institutions, agencies and non-governmental organizations. The Panel is also in the process of producing a Public Service Announcement that will be aired on television as part of this campaign.

The next session of the Advisory Panel is scheduled to take place from 5 to 9 May, 2008.

Complaints for the Advisory Panel should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Advisory Panel, Room 19, Second Floor, UNMIK Main HQ, East Wing, Pristina, Kosovo.

For further information, please contact Mr. John J. Ryan, Executive Officer of the Secretariat of the Human Rights Advisory Panel, Tel: + 381 (0) 38 504 604 Ext 5847, Email: ryanj@un.org. Interested persons are also referred to the website of the Advisory Panel, at http://www.unmikonline.org/human_rights/index.htm.