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**OF ELECTIONS**

**Yerevan, 25-26 April 2007**

**PROGRAMME**

**FIRST DAY, Wednesday 25 April 2007**

8-10:00	Arrival of participants
11:00 – 11:30	Registration of participants Coffee
11:30 – 11:50	<b>Mr Gaël Martin-Micallef, Venice Commission, Elections Division</b> Presentation of the Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters and summary of the programme
11:55 – 12:10	<b>Mr Zhirayr Karapetyan, Justice NGO</b> Welcome and introduction of election observation by the domestic observers
12:15– 13:10	<b>Mr Didier Vinolas, France</b> “Rights and duties of the domestic observers during the electoral process”  Questions/answers session
13:15 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	<b>Abram Bakhchagulyan, Central Electoral Commission</b> <b>Liana Simonyan, Central Electoral Commission</b> Questions/answers session
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:15	Practical exercises on voting  Questions/answers session
17:15 – 17:30	Review of the first day
19:00	Dinner

**SECOND DAY, Thursday 26 April 2007**

- 10:00 – 10:30      **Anna Ghukasyan, Council of Europe Office**  
**Action plan to support Parliamentary elections in Armenia in 2007**
- 11:30-11:45**      **Mr André Kvakkestadt, Norway**  
“Observation: How to prepare? What to look for? How to follow up?”  
  
Questions/answers session
- 11:30 – 11:45      Coffee break
- 11:45 – 13:00      Practical exercises on voting  
  
Questions/answers session
- 13:00 – 14:30      Lunch
- 14:30 – 16:30      **Artak Kocharyan, Central Electoral Commission member**  
The process of elections observation  
**Nouneh Hovhannisyan, Head of the Legal Dept.,**  
The legal provisions of election observation  
  
Questions/answers session
- 16:30-16:45      Coffee break
- 16:45 – 17:30      Practical exercises on counting  
  
Questions/answers session
- 17:15 – 18:00      Review of the second day and conclusive remarks of the seminar
- 19:00              Dinner