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Dear Mr. Hamdani:


As Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Helsinki Commission, we would like to thank you for participating as a discussant in the September 15th Commission Roundtable Discussion on Minorities in France.

Your remarks bringing attention to the situation of Roma, assessment of the implementation of current anti-discrimination laws and policies, and call for increased action in these areas was invaluable to the success of the event and will greatly assist in our future efforts to address discrimination and inequality in the OSCE region. A video, transcript, press releases and other relevant materials from the event can be found on our website at www.csce.gov.

Please keep us informed of your related work in this field and do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,


Benjamin L. Cardin, U.S.S.
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