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## *Right to be Free from Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment*

Public Discussion

Draft Agenda

December 12, 2016

DoubleTree by Hilton Yerevan  
Grigor Lusavorich 4/2, Yerevan Armenia

- 14:00 – 14:15 **Registration of Participants**  
**Refreshment**
- 14:15 – 14:30 **Opening Remarks**  
**Ms. Larisa Minasyan**, Open Society Foundations – Armenia, Executive Director
- Speakers**
- 14:30 – 14:40 **Mr. Davit Khachaturyan**, Open Society Foundations-Armenia, Board Chair, Expert, Ph.D, Justice Group Member  
*Torture Prevention and Issues of Effective Investigation: Armenia's Recent Reviews of the UN CAT and CPT*
- 14:40 – 14:50 **Mr. Artur Sakunts**, Helsinki Citizen's Assembly - Vanadzor, Chairman, Justice Group Member  
*Impunity in the Police, Armed Forces and Psychiatric Institutions*
- 14:50 – 15:00 **Ms. Violeta Zopunyan**, Center for Rights Development, Director  
*Denial of Pain Relief as a Torture and Ill-Treatment in Healthcare*
- 15:00 – 15:10 **Mr. Avetik Ishkhanyan**  
*Excessive Use of Force in the context of Freedom of Assembly*
- 15:10 – 15:20 **Mr. Artak Zeynalyan**, Rule of Law NGO, Justice Group Member  
*Administrative Safeguards against Torture*
- 15:20 – 15:30 **Mr. Hayk Alumyan**, Attorney, Justice Group Member  
*Cases of Torture*
- 15:30 – 15:40 **Representative of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 15:40 – 15:50 **Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 15:50 – 16:00 **Representative of the MoJ Penitentiary Service of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 16:00 – 16:10 **Representative of the Police of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 16:10 – 16:20 **Representative of the Special Investigation Service of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 16:20 – 16:30 **Representative of the Investigation Committee of the Republic of Armenia**(tbc)
- 16:30 – 16:40 **Representative of the Prosecutor's General of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 16:40 – 16:50 **Representative of the Standing Committee on the Protection of Human Rights and Public Affairs of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 16:50 – 17:00 **Representative of the Human Rights Defender Office of the Republic of Armenia** (tbc)
- 17:00 – 17:30 **Q&A, Discussion**