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**Resolution CM/ResCMN(2007)3
on the implementation of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities
by San Marino**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 31 January 2007
at the 985th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Committee of Ministers, under the terms of Articles 24 to 26 of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (hereinafter referred to as "the Framework Convention");

Having regard to Resolution (97) 10 of 17 September 1997 setting out rules adopted by the Committee of Ministers on the monitoring arrangements under Articles 24 to 26 of the Framework Convention;

Having regard to the voting rule adopted in the context of adopting Resolution (97) 10;¹

Having regard to the instrument of ratification submitted by San Marino on 5 December 1996;

Recalling that the Government of San Marino transmitted its state report in respect of the second monitoring cycle under the Framework Convention on 23 August 2004;

Having examined the Advisory Committee's second opinion on San Marino, adopted on 2 March 2006, and the written comments of the Government of San Marino, received on 18 July 2006;

Having also taken note of comments by other governments,

1. Adopts the following conclusions in respect of San Marino:

a) Positive developments

San Marinese society continues to be distinguished by a general climate of tolerance and understanding, and this is all the more important since cultural diversity has been increasing in San Marino over the past few years.

b) Issues of concern

In view of recent information relating to the existence of latent prejudices within the San Marinese society and reported integration difficulties, existing means of preventing and combating discrimination and intolerance could be improved and made more effective.

2. Adopts the following recommendations in respect of San Marino:

¹ In the context of adopting Resolution (97) 10 on 17 September 1997, the Committee of Ministers also adopted the following rule: "Decisions pursuant to Articles 24.1 and 25.2 of the Framework Convention shall be considered to be adopted if two-thirds of the representatives of the Contracting parties casting a vote, including a majority of the representatives of the Contracting parties entitled to sit on the Committee of Ministers, vote in favour".

In addition to the measures to be taken to implement the detailed recommendations contained in sections I and II of the Advisory Committee's opinion, the authorities are invited to take the following measures to improve further the implementation of the Framework Convention:

- make additional efforts to ensure that San Marino's legislative and institutional framework effectively contribute to preventing and combating discrimination and intolerance;
 - continue and strengthen measures to heighten public awareness of the importance of tolerance and intercultural dialogue, and adopt measures to promote and facilitate integration.
3. Invites the Government of San Marino, in accordance with Resolution (97) 10:
- a.* to continue the dialogue in progress with the Advisory Committee;
 - b.* to keep the Advisory Committee regularly informed of the measures it has taken in response to the conclusions and recommendations set out in section 1 and 2 above