DEMOCRATIC RECONSTRUCTION IN THE BALKANS

Budva, Montenegro, FR Yugoslavia, January, 30 – February, 4, 2000

Sunday January, 30

Arrival of participants

Monday January, 31

11:00-13:00 OPENING AND WELCOME SESSION

Welcome Addresses by Prof. Margaret Blunden and Prof. Vukasin Pavlovic

Welcome address by Mr. Predrag Popovic, Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Montenegro

16:00-19:00 EUROPE AND THE BALKANS

Presentations and Debates:

Miroslav Pecujlic, Radmila Nakarada, Critical Analysis – Assumptions of Democratic Reconstruction

Margaret Blunden, The State and the Market – Liberal Economies and the Democratic Reconstruction

Ivan Vejvoda, Democratisation in CEE – Towards a European Democratic Space **Vukasin Pavlovic**, Conditions and Obstacles for Democratic Reconstruction in the Balkans

Tuesday, February, 1

10:00-13:00 MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY

Presentations and Debates:

Colin Sparks, Media and Democratic Society – A Survey of Post- Communist Experience Slavko Splichal, Reproducing Political Capitalism in the Media of East-Central Europe Ildika Kovats, Some Problems of the Democracy – Nation – Media Triangle in Hungary

16:00-19:00 Ruxandra Trandafoiu, Media and Nationalism – the Romanian Case

Milka Tadic, The Role and Position of Media in Montenegro

Jasmina Glisic, The Independent Media in Serbia

Slobodan Markovich, Attitudes of British Press to Serbia – A Comparative Analysis: July 1914

– March 1999

Wednesday, February, 2

10:00-13:00 NATION, ETHNICITY AND DEMOCRACY

Presentations and Debates:

Svetozar Stojanovic, Nation, Nationalism and Citizenism Ilija Vujacic, Ethnicity, State and Post-Communist Transition in the Balkans
Gjorge Ivanov, "Millet System", Back to the Future
Dusan T. Batakovic, Kosovo: Ethnic Concept vs. Human Rights

16:00-19:00 SOCIETY, ECONOMY AND DEMOCRACY

Presentations and Debates:

Ljubomir Madzar, Political Democracy and Market Economy – Links and Interdependencies Veselin Vukotic, Economic Recovery, Privatisation and Democracy in Montenegro Richard Whitman, Promoting Stability and Assisting Good Neighbourliness? Assessing the European Union's Policy Towards South Eastern Europe

Thursday, February, 3

10:00-13:00 THE STATE, INSTITUTION BUILDING AND THE LAW

Presentations and Debates:

Merris Amos, The Rule of Law in a Modern Democracy – Theory and Practice Vucina Vasovic, State, Ethnicity and Democracy Mijat Damjanovic, Institutional Reforms and Societal Development Jovan Teokarevic, Presidents and Democratisation in Post- Communist Balkan States

16:00-19:00 POLITICAL LIFE AND POLITICAL PARTIES

Presentations and Debates:

Vladimir Goati, Peculiarities of Political Scene in Serbia

Dragoljub Micunovic, The Challenges and Prospects for Political and Democratic Changes in Serbia

Slobodan Samardzic, Reconciliation through Constitutional Consent – the Proposal for Serbia

Djuro Kovacevic, Internal and External Assumptions of Democratic Reconstruction in the Balkans

Friday, February, 4

10:00-13:00 CIVIL SOCIETY

Presentations and Debates:

Joseph Julian, Democracy and Democratisation in South-Eastern Europe Zagorka Golubovic, The Role on NGOs in Civil Society – with a Reference to FRY Mirjana Vasovic, The Challenges in Social Identities and Democratic Changes Natasa Vuckovic, YU-NGO Forum and the Process of NGO- Networking

• DEMOCRATIC RECONTRUCTION IN MONTENEGRO

Round Table

17.30-19.00 GENERAL AND CONCLUDING DEBATE

• Farewell cocktail will be hosted by Mr Rade Gregovic, the Mayor of Budva

Saturday and Sunday, February, 5-6

DEPARTURE