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REPORT OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE BSEC WORKING GROUPS ON CULTURE AND ON COOPERATION IN TOURISM

Sochi, the Russian Federation, 22 June 2016

1. The Joint Meeting of the BSEC Working Groups on Culture and on Cooperation in Tourism, convened as an expert meeting to prepare the Conference of the Ministers in charge of Culture and Tourism of the BSEC Member States (Sochi, 23 June 2016), was held in Sochi, on 22 June 2016.
2. The Joint Meeting was chaired by Ms. Olga ANDONIEVA, Director of Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation.
3. The following BSEC Member States attended the Meeting:

Republic of Armenia
Republic of Azerbaijan
Republic of Bulgaria
Hellenic Republic
Romania
Russian Federation
Republic of Serbia
4. The List of Participants is attached as **Annex I**.

AGENDA ITEM 1: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5. The Draft Agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The Agenda, as adopted, is attached as **Annex II**.

AGENDA ITEM 2: CONSIDERATION AND FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT DOCUMENTS (AGENDA AND JOINT DECLARATION) OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINISTERS IN CHARGE OF CULTURE AND TOURISM OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES (SOCHI, 23 JUNE 2016).

6. The Delegation of the Russian Federation informed the Participants on the arrangements for the Conference of the Ministers in charge of Culture and Tourism of the BSEC Member States, to be held in Sochi on 23 June 2016, and introduced the Draft Agenda and Draft Joint Declaration for the said Conference of the Ministers.

7. The Participants considered, amended and finalized the Draft Agenda and the Draft “Joint Declaration of the Ministers in Charge of Culture and Tourism of the Member States of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation”. The Draft Agenda is attached as **Annex III** and the Draft Joint Declaration as **Annex IV** to the Report.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8. The Participants expressed their appreciation to the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation for the warm hospitality and the organization of the Joint Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

9. The participants adopted the present Report.
