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**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION FOR  
THE PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES**

**COMMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRIA  
ON THE SECOND OPINION OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION FOR THE  
PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES  
BY AUSTRIA  
(received on 26 October 2007)**

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Vienna, 25 October 2007

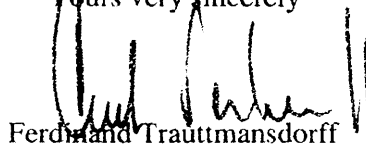
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Dear M. Boillat,

referring to your letter to Ambassador Etmayer of 25 June, 2007, may I transmit the following comments from the Austrian Authorities regarding the Opinion of the Advisory Committee on the Second Report by Austria under the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities:

Austria has taken the second opinion on Austria of the Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities into consideration and looks forward to the Committee of Ministers' conclusions and recommendations. After that, Austria will organize a follow-up seminar addressing the relevant issues.

Yours very sincerely



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