Amendment to the TERMS OF REFERENCE of Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005-2015

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II. PARTICIPATION
C. Other Governments and international organizations that undertake to adhere to the terms described in these Terms of Reference are invited to participate in the Decade.
Defined process

a) Government holding the Presidency extends an invitation to interested partner Government(s), international organization(s), particularly to the head of government agency, ministry responsible for Roma affairs, director/president of international organization.

b) Invited Government(s), international partner(s) confirm their readiness to join the Decade initiative by a formal letter signed by the highest level responsible official.

c) International Steering Committee formally approves the admission of new Government and International Partner Organization.
Defined process

d) Prime Minister of the Government holding the Presidency sends the Decade Declaration for signature to his/her Prime Minister counterpart.

e) Newly joined Government nominates a National Coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion program.

f) Any Government willing to participate in the Decade shall develop and adopt a Decade National Action Plan in 4 priority areas - education, housing, employment and health - bearing in mind cross cutting issues of antidiscrimination, gender and poverty reduction.
Defined process

g) Newly joined Government considers contributing Decade Trust Fund.

h) Governments intending to participate in the Decade and international organizations shall have the opportunity – if they are wishing to do so – to participate as Observers at ISC meetings and workshops until their decision to participate in the Decade.