REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

Report on the implementation of the Action Plan of The Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005 and 2006

HOUSING

Legal provisions

- Units of local self-government are responsible for the affairs of local juristidiction by means of which the needs of citizens are directly fulfilled in housing, urban planning, public utilities, protection and the improvement of the environment
- Units of regional self- government are responsible for matters of regional significance related to urban planning and traffic infrastructure

CREATING PRECONDITIONS FOR THE PHYSICAL PLANNING

COUNTY ACTIVITY PROGRAMMES:

- Number of developed county programmes:12 out of the total 14
 - . Number of surveyed sites by counties: 43 sites in 11 counties
- . Physical planning: 14 plans adopted for 12 sites

Regulating property ownership issues

- State-owned land: cession free of charge:
 3 application resolved (Donja Dubrava, Sisak, Darda)
- before Action Plan 1 (Slavonski Brod)
- 4 pending cases (Bistrica, Turčiće, Podturen and Čakovec)

IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF SETTLEMENTS UNDER WAY

- City of Karlovac, the Roma settlement at Orlovac
- The Roma cultural centre in Čakovec (Kuršanec settlement)
- Roma settlements in Međimurje County (4 from 9 legalized settlements)
- Town of Sisak (Capraške Poljane), the city of Slavonski Brod, Beli Manastir and Našice (Vukojevci)

PHARE 2005 AND 2006

- Improvement and development of living conditions of settlements inhabited by the Roma: infrastructure (electricity, sewage system, roads...)
- 4 settlements in Međimurje County (Trnovec-Parag I and II, Piškorovec, Pribislavec, Lončarevo)
- Participation of EU funding: €3 million
- Participation of Croatia: €1,238,429

Example of DONJA DUBRAVA

Integration of Roma in housing:

- An illegal Roma settlement at Donja Dubrava was in a flood area, 17 families lived in substandard conditions
- Last year the municipality of Donja Dubrava, in cooperation with Međimurje County and the Government of the Republic of Croatia, purchased 17 houses in Donja Dubrava and neighboring municipalities for Roma families
- Participation of government budget: €150,000