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Ms Patricia Prendiville
Executive Director
ILGA-Europe

Dear Ms Prendiville

Further to your e-mail of 30th April 2007 on the above subject, I want to thank you for bringing to my attention your campaign against the violation of fundamental rights of LGBT people and for the comprehensive information about the goals and activities of your organisation.

We believe that Mayors and city authorities in general can and should play a leading role in promoting respect and human rights for all residents and guests of European cities.

We therefore confirm our commitment to ensuring that the rights to freedom of expression and assembly are enjoyed by all, irrespective of sexual orientation and/or gender identity, and assure you of our firm support to the principles and recommendations set out in the relevant Resolution adopted by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe in March 2007.

Hoping that incidents of violation of these rights, in particular in European cities, will be avoided in the future,

Yours sincerely,

Eleni Mavrou
Mayor of Nicosia