



**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION, REFUGEES AND POPULATION**

**Synopsis** AS/MIG/CB(2010)06

23 September 2010

**The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population**, meeting in Skopje ("The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"), on 20 and 21 September 2010, with Mr Greenway (United Kingdom, EDG) in the Chair,

• **ON MONDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2010,**

observed a minute of silence in memory of Mr Daniel Ducarme, Belgian member of the Committee, and of Mr Andrew McIntosh, British member of the Assembly, Chair of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education, who passed away in August;

*and, as regards:*

– ***Hearing on smuggling and trafficking for labour exploitation purposes:*** held the hearing, opened by:

- Mr Trajko VELJANOSKI, Speaker of the Parliament of "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"
- Mr Aleksandar NIKOLOSKI, Chair of the Delegation of "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" to the Parliamentary Assembly;

and with the participation, inter alia, of:

- Mr Knut BRATTVIK, Senior Officer, Human Trafficking, INTERPOL
- Mr Emil KRSTANOVSKI, ILO National Coordinator
- Mr Trpe STOJANOVSKI, Director, MARRI CENTRE, Skopje
- Ms Ivona Z. TODOROVSKA, Representative of IOM, Skopje
- Mr Slavo VRANGALOVSKI, Head Inspector, Team Leader, National Commission for combating Trafficking in human beings and illegal migration, Skopje

– ***Hearing on migration and demographic challenges for "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia":*** held the hearing, with the participation, inter alia, of:

- Mr KITANOVSKI, Chair of the Labour and Social Affairs Committee of the Parliament of "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"
- Mr Dejan IVKOVSKI, Head of Sector for Asylum, Migration and Humanitarian Assistance, Ministry of Labour and Social Policy, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"
- Mr Aco JANEVSKI, Member of the CDMG ("the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia")
- Mr Toni JAKIMOVSKI, National representative, MARRI CENTRE, Skopje

cc. Secretary General of the Assembly  
Director General, Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly  
Secretaries of National Delegations to the Assembly  
Secretaries of Political Groups of the Assembly  
Observers to the Assembly  
Secretary General of the Congress  
Secretary to the Committee of Ministers  
Directors General  
Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for Organisation Developments and Reform  
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe  
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights  
Director of Communication  
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

- **ON TUESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2010, as regards:**
  - ***Roma asylum seekers in Council of Europe Member States*** (Rapporteur: Mr Pupovac, Croatia, SOC): heard a statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visits to Berlin and Kosovo<sup>1</sup>, decided to change the title as follows: “Roma asylum seekers in Europe”, approved the draft report and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation;
  - ***Preventing harm to refugees and migrants in extradition and expulsion cases: Rule 39 indications by the European Court of Human Rights*** (Rapporteur: Mr Darchiashvili, Georgia, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the Rapporteur, approved the draft report and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation with a view to present the report in a joint debate with the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights on “Implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights” (Rapporteur: Mr Pourgourides, Cyprus, EPP/CD) in January 2011;
  - ***The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2009-2010*** (Rapporteur: Ms Naghdalyan, Armenia, ALDE): in the absence of the rapporteur, heard a statement by its Chair and approved a draft contribution;
  - ***The demographic future of Europe and migration*** (Rapporteur: Ms Hajibayli, Azerbaijan, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the rapporteur and decided to consider the report for approval at its next meeting;
  - ***Unaccompanied minors in Europe: issues of arrival, stay and return*** (Rapporteur: Ms Reps, Estonia, ALDE): heard a statement by the Rapporteur;
  - ***Follow-up to the hearings held on 20 September:*** decided to ask its Chair to prepare a motion for a resolution on smuggling and trafficking for labour exploitation purposes and to ask that the Committee be seized with the task of drafting the report;
  - ***Work programme:***
    - Representation of the Committee at various events:***
      - Seminar on the theme “Transversal policies and local plans for the integration of foreign citizens: which strategies to implement?” organised by the Walloon Region (Belgium) (Namur, 8-9 November 2010) – appointed a member of the Belgian delegation, *at no cost to the Assembly*;
    - ***Other business:***
      - ***Recent rise in national security discourse in Europe: the case of Roma:*** appointed Mr Greenway (United Kingdom, EDG) as rapporteur for opinion, subject to the urgent procedure being decided by the Assembly and the Committee being seized for opinion;
      - Was informed by its Chair of a letter he sent on 27 August 2010 to the Chairperson of the Georgian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly expressing concern over the recent evictions of IDPs from four temporary emergency centres in Tbilisi and heard a statement by Mr Darchiashvili (Georgia, EPP/CD);
  - ***Next meetings:*** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
    - Strasbourg, during the 4<sup>th</sup> part-session 2010 (4-8 October 2010)
    - Paris, 7-8 December 2010 (to be confirmed)
    - Strasbourg, during the 1<sup>st</sup> part-session 2011 (24-28 January 2011)
    - Paris, 15 March 2011 (to be confirmed)
    - Strasbourg, during the 2<sup>nd</sup> part-session 2011 (14-18 April 2011)
    - Paris, 26 May 2011 (to be confirmed)

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<sup>1</sup> All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or people, in this text, shall be understood in full compliance with the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.