



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

Synopsis AS/MIG/CB(2011)01

1 February 2011

The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population, meeting in Strasbourg, on 25, 26 and 27 January 2011, with first Lord Anderson (United Kingdom, SOC), senior member present, and then Mr Chope (United Kingdom, EDG) in the Chair,

- **ON TUESDAY 25 JANUARY 2011, from 8.30 to 10 am, as regards:**
- ***Election of the Committee's Bureau:***
 - re-elected Mr Chope (United Kingdom, EDG) Chairperson by acclamation;
 - re-elected Mr Santini (Italy, EPP/CD) First Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
 - re-elected Mr Iwiński (Poland, SOC) Second Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
 - elected Mr Zernovski ("The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", ALDE) Third Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
- ***The need for reinforced protection of rights of migrant women*** (*Rapporteur: Ms Frahm, Denmark, UEL*): authorised the rapporteur to carry out a fact-finding visit to London, from 8 to 10 February 2011, in the framework of the preparation of her report, subject to the availability of funds;
- ***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*): approved and took position on amendments to the draft resolution and to the draft recommendation proposed by the Rapporteur on behalf of the Committee;
- ***Unaccompanied minors in Europe: issues of arrival, stay and return*** (*Rapporteur: Ms Reps, Estonia, ALDE*): decided to modify the title of the report as follows: "Unaccompanied children in Europe: issues of arrival, stay and return", considered and approved a report and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation;
- ***Reconstitution and composition of the sub-committees:*** reconstituted its three sub-committees (Sub-Committee on Migration, Sub-Committee on Refugees and Sub-Committee on Population) and agreed their composition (see appendix);
- ***Exchanges of views:*** held exchanges of views with:
 - Mr José MENDES BOTA, Chairperson of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men (Portugal, EPP/CD) on Gender mainstreaming in the work of the Assembly;
 - Mr Stephanos STAVROS, Executive Secretary of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) on ECRI's current priorities.

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 WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY 2011, from 2 to 3 pm, as regards:**
 - ***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): took position on the amendments tabled to the draft resolution and to the draft recommendation;
 - ***The interception and rescue at sea of asylum seekers, refugees and irregular migrants*** (Rapporteur: Mr Díaz Tejera, Spain, SOC): considered a preliminary draft report;
 - ***Demographic winter and the future of Europe*** (Rapporteur: Ms Memecan, Turkey, ALDE): heard a statement by the rapporteur.
- **ON THURSDAY 27 JANUARY 2011, from 8.30 to 9.30 am, as regards:**
 - ***The need for reinforced protection of rights of migrant women*** (Rapporteur: Ms Frahm, Denmark, UEL): considered a memorandum, heard a statement by the rapporteur and decided to modify the title of the report as follows: "Protecting migrant women in the labour market";
 - ***Work programme:***
 - **Appointment of rapporteurs:**
 - *The humanitarian consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia: implementation of Resolutions 1648 (2009) and 1664 (2009)* (former rapporteur: Ms Jonker, Netherlands, EPP/CD): decided to postpone the appointment to its meeting in April;
 - *The situation of IDPs and returnees in the North Caucasus region:* appointed **Mr Dendias**, Greece, EPP/CD;
 - *The portrayal of migrants and refugees during election campaigns:* appointed **Ms Dumery**, Belgium, NR;
 - *Undocumented migrant children in an irregular situation: a real cause for concern:* appointed **Mr Agramunt**, Spain, EPP/CD;
 - *The situation of Roma in Europe: movement and migration:* appointed **Ms Groth**, Germany, UEL;
 - *Trafficking of migrant workers for forced labour: time for a closer look* decided to postpone the appointment to its next meeting;
 - *Asylum seekers and refugees: sharing responsibilities in Europe:* appointed **Mr Chope**, UK, EDG (subject to a reference by the Assembly for a report);
 - **Representation of the Committee at various events:**
 - Appointments:***
 - *Seminar on human rights dimensions of migration in Europe, organised by the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe (Istanbul, 17-18 February 2011):* appointed **Ms Acketoft**, Sweden, ALDE, at no cost to the Assembly
 - Statements:***
 - Conference on "Which integration policies for migrants?", organised by the Institute of European Studies (Brussels, 28-29 October 2010): heard a statement by Ms Strik (Netherlands, SOC);
 - Global Forum on Migration and Development (Mexico, 8-11 November 2010): heard a statement by Mr Bugnon (Switzerland, ALDE);
 - *Hearing on the current situation with regard to the consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia*, organised by the Monitoring Committee (Paris, 17 January 2011): heard a statement by Mr Chope (United Kingdom, EDG);
- ***Reform of the Assembly:*** was informed of the state of progress by its Chair, held an exchange of views and decided to return to this item at its next meeting;
- ***Replies from the Committee of Ministers to texts adopted by the Assembly presented by the Committee:*** took note of the replies to the following recommendations:
 - Recommendation 1900 (2010) on The detention of asylum seekers and irregular migrants in Europe;

- Recommendation 1910 (2010) on The impact of the global economic crisis on migration in Europe;
- Recommendation 1917 (2010) on Migrants and refugees: a continuing challenge for the Council of Europe;
- Recommendation 1926 (2010) on Voluntary return programmes: an effective, humane and cost-effective mechanism for returning irregular migrants;

and decided to return to this item at its next meeting;

– **Next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

- **Brussels**, 15-16 March 2011
- **Strasbourg**, during the 2nd part-session 2011 (11-15 April 2011)
- **Corfu** (Greece), 1-2 June 2011 (to be confirmed and subject to the Bureau's authorisation)
- **Strasbourg**, during the 3rd part-session 2011 (20-24 June 2011)
- **Paris**, 13 September 2011 (to be confirmed)
- **Strasbourg**, during the 4th part-session 2011 (3-7 October 2011)
- **Paris**, 7 December 2011 (to be confirmed).

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The Sub-Committee on Migration, meeting in Strasbourg on 27 January 2011, with Mr Chope (United Kingdom, EDG) in the Chair, *as regards:*

- **Election of the Sub-Committee's Bureau:** re-elected Mr Dendias (Greece, EPP/CD) Chairperson by acclamation and re-elected Ms Reps (Estonia, ALDE) Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
- **Next meeting:** left it to its Chair to convene the next meeting.

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The Sub-Committee on Refugees, meeting in Strasbourg on 27 January 2011, with Mr Chope in the Chair, *as regards:*

- **Election of the Sub-Committee's Bureau:** elected Ms Strik (Netherlands, SOC) Chairperson by acclamation and decided to elect its Vice-Chair at its next meeting;
- **Next meeting:** left it to its Chair to convene the next meeting.

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The Sub-Committee on Population, meeting in Strasbourg on 27 January 2011, with Mr Chope in the Chair, *as regards:*

- **Election of the Sub-Committee's Bureau:** re-elected Ms Türköne (Turkey, EPP/CD) Chairperson by acclamation and re-elected Mr Kallio (Finland, SOC) Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
- **Next meeting:** left it to its Chair to decide the date and the place of the next meeting.

Mark Neville, Ivi-Triin Odrats, Isild Heurtin

APPENDIX
Composition of the Sub-Committees

1. Sub-Committee on Migration / *Sous-commission des migrations*
28 seats / sièges

Chairperson / Président:

1. Mr Nikolaos DENDIAS, EPP *GREECE / GRÈCE* Mr Alexandros ATHANASIADIS, SOC

Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président:

2. Ms Mailis REPS, ALDE *ESTONIA / ESTONIE*

COUNTRY / PAYS	MEMBER / MEMBRE	ALTERNATE / REMPLACANT
3. <i>ARMENIE / ARMENIA</i>	Ms Hermine NAGHDALYAN, ALDE	
4. <i>AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE</i>	Mr Franz Eduard KÜHNEL, EPP	Mr Alexander van der BELLEN, SOC
5. <i>AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN</i>	Ms Ganira PASHSAYEVA, EDG	Mr Ali HUSEYNOV, EDG
6. <i>BELGIUM / BELGIQUE</i>	Mrs Daphné DUMERY, NR	M. Armand de DECKER, ADLE
7. <i>BULGARIA / BULGARIE</i>	Mr Stanislav IVANOV, EPP	
8. <i>CYPRUS / CHYPRE</i>	Mr Aristophanes GEORGIU, UEL	M. Fidias SARIKAS, SOC
9. <i>CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE</i>	M. Walter BARTOŠ, GDE	
10. <i>DENMARK / DANEMARK</i>	Ms Pernille FRAHM, UEL	Mr Jørgen POULSEN, ALDE
11. <i>FINLAND / FINLANDE</i>	Mr Jaakko LAAKSO, UEL	
12. <i>FRANCE</i>	M. Denis JACQUAT, PPE	
13. <i>GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE</i>	Ms Anette GROTH, UEL	
14. <i>IRELAND / IRLANDE</i>	Ms Maureen O'SULLIVAN, NR	Mr Peter KELLY, ALDE
15. <i>ITALY / ITALIE</i>	M. Giacomo STUCCHI, GDE	M. Pasquale NESSA, PPE
16. <i>LATVIA / LETTONIE</i>	Mr Boriss CILEVIČS, SOC	
17. <i>LITHUANIA / LITUANIE</i>	Mr Arminas LYDEKA, ALDE	
18. <i>LUXEMBOURG</i>	M. Norbert HAUPERT, PPE	
19. <i>MALTA / MALTE</i>	Mr Francis AGIUS, EPP	Mr Joseph DEBONO GRECH, SOC
20. <i>NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS</i>	Ms Tineke STRIK, SOC	
21. <i>POLAND / POLOGNE</i>	Mr Tadeusz IWINSKI, SOC	Mr Bronislaw KORFANTY, EDG
22. <i>ROMANIA / ROUMANIE</i>	Mr Titus CORLĂȚEAN, SOC	M. Cezar Florin PREDA, EPP
23. <i>RUSSIAN FEDERATION / FEDERATION DE RUSSIE</i>	Mr Valeriy FEDOROV, EDG	
24. <i>SPAIN / ESPAGNE</i>	M. Arcadio DÍAZ TEJERA, SOC	M. Gonzalo ROBLES OROZCO, PPE
25. <i>SWEDEN / SUEDE</i>	Ms Tina ACKETOFT, ALDE	Ms Ingela NYLUND WATZ, SOC
26. <i>SWITZERLAND / SUISSE</i>	M. André BUGNON, ADLE	Mme Doris FIALA, ADLE
27. <i>TURKEY / TURQUIE</i>	Ms Özlem TÜRKÖNE, EPP	
28. <i>ROYAUME-UNI / UNITED KINGDOM</i>	Mr John PRESCOTT, SOC	Mr Jim HOOD, SOC

Ex-officio: Mr Christopher CHOPE, United Kingdom, EDG, Chair of the Committee / Président de la Commission

2. Sub-Committee on Refugees / Sous-commission des réfugiés

28 seats / sièges

Chairperson / Président:

1. Ms Tineke STRIK, SOC NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS Ms Ankie BROEKERS-KNOL, ALDE

Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président:

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12. FRANCE	M. Denis JACQUAT, PPE	M. Jean-Pierre MASSERET, SOC
13. GEORGIA / GEORGIE	Mr David DARCHIASHVILI, EPP	
14. GREECE / GRECE	Ms G. CHARALAMBOPOULOS, SOC	Mr Evangelos MEIMARAKIS, EPP
15. IRELAND / IRLANDE	Mr Peter KELLY, ALDE	Ms Maureen O'SULLIVAN, NR
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18. LITHUANIA / LITUANIE	Mr Arminas LYDEKA, ALDE	
19. POLAND / POLOGNE	Mr Ryszard BENDER, EDG	Mr Tadeusz IWINSKI, SOC
20. PORTUGAL	M. Francisco ASSIS, SOC	M. Sérgio SOUSA PINTO, SOC
21. ROMANIA / ROUMANIE	Mr Relu FENECHIU, ALDE	Mr Ionuț-Marian STROE, ALDE
22. RUSSIAN FEDERATION / FÉDÉRATION DE RUSSIE	Mr Valeriy FEDOROV, EDG	
23. SPAIN / ESPAGNE	M. Pedro AGRAMUNT, PPE	M. Gabino PUCHE, PPE
24. SWEDEN / SUÈDE	Mr Mikael CEDERBRATT, EPP	
25. SWITZERLAND / SUISSE	Mme Doris FIALA, ADLE	M. André BUGNON, ADLE
26. "THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA" / "L'EX-RÉPUBLIQUE YOUGOSLAVE DE MACÉDOINE"	Mr Andrej ZERNOVSKI, ALDE	
27. TURKEY / TURQUIE	Mr Tuğrul TÜRKEŞ, EDG	
28. UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI	Lord ANDERSON, SOC	Mr James CLAPPISON, EDG

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3. Sub-Committee on Population / *Sous-commission de la population*
28 seats / sièges

Chairperson / Présidente:

1. Ms Özlem TÜRKÖNE, EPP *TURKEY / TURQUIE*

Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président:

2. Mr Reijo KALLIO, SOC *FINLAND / FINLANDE*

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7. <i>BULGARIA / BULGARIE</i>	Mr Desislav CHUKOLOV, NR	
8. <i>CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE</i>	Mme Daniela FILIPOVÁ, GDE	
9. <i>FRANCE</i>	M. Bernard FOURNIER, PPE	Mme Maryvonne BLONDIN, SOC
10. <i>GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE</i>	Ms Angelika GRAF, SOC	
11. <i>GREECE / GRÈCE</i>	Ms G. CHARALAMBOPOULOS, SOC	Mr Nikolaos DENDIAS, EPP
12. <i>ITALY / ITALIE</i>	M. Marco ZACCHERA, GDE	Mr Andrea RIGONI, ALDE
13. <i>LUXEMBOURG</i>	M. Jean HUSS, SOC	
14. <i>MALTA / MALTE</i>	Mr Francis AGIUS, EPP	Mr Joseph DEBONO GRECH, SOC
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20. <i>UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI</i>	Mr Edward LEIGH, EDG	Ms Sandra OSBORNE, SOC
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