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Bureau of the Assembly

Draft agenda (revised 2)

of the meeting to be held in Strasbourg
on Monday, 25 January 2016 at 8 am
Room 7

Items possibly to be dealt with without debate: 12, 13, 14, 15

1. **Communication by the President**
[AS/Bur (2016) 03]

2. **Agenda**
[AS/Bur (2016) OJ 01 rev 2]

Draft decision: to adopt the revised draft agenda

3. **Minutes**
[AS/Bur (2015) PV 13]

Draft decision: to approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2015 in London

**To members of the Bureau of the Assembly
(President and Vice-Presidents of the Assembly and
Chairpersons of Political Groups and the Assembly's general committees)**

copy for information to secretaries of national delegations and political groups and Heads of
Secretariats of the Assembly's general committees

This document is also the convocation to the meeting

4. First part-session of 2016 (Strasbourg, 25-29 January)

- i. Credentials of the Russian delegation for the Ordinary Session 2016
[Letters]

Draft decision: to take note of the letters

- ii. Requests for debate under urgent procedure and current affairs debate
[Letter from the Chairperson of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination]

On 14 December 2015, the Bureau decided to propose to the Assembly to hold a debate under urgent procedure on “Combating international terrorism while protecting Council of Europe standards and values”, to be held on Wednesday 27 January in the afternoon, and to refer the matter to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for report and to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights for opinion

Draft decision: to decide whether to refer the matter for opinion to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

On 14 January 2016, the leaders of the EPP/CD, SOC, ALDE and UEL political groups, on behalf of their groups, proposed that a debate under urgent procedure be held on “The functioning of democratic institutions in Poland”

Draft decision: to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold the urgent debate and, if so, to designate a committee to which to refer the matter

- iii. Updating of the draft agenda
[[Doc. 13932](#)]

Draft decision: to update the draft agenda of the part-session

- iv. Election of a judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Cyprus
[Letter from the Chairperson of the Committee on the election of judges to the Court]
[[Doc 13945 Addendum II](#)]

Draft decision: to take note of the report drawn up by the Committee on the election of judges following interviews with candidates for the post of a judge in respect of Cyprus

5. Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and of the Standing Committee (2 October 2015 to 24 January 2016)

Rapporteur: Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE)
[AS/Bur (2016) 01]

Draft decision: to approve the progress report

6. Election observation

- i. Armenia: referendum on constitutional reforms (6 December 2015)
[AS/Bur (2016) 04]

Draft decision: to take note of the memorandum by the Chairperson of the ad hoc committee

- ii. Kazakhstan: early parliamentary elections (20 March 2016)
[Letter from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan]

Draft decision: to decide whether to observe the early parliamentary elections and, if so, to constitute an ad hoc committee

- iii. "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia": early parliamentary elections (24 April 2016, to be confirmed)
[List of members]

At its meeting on 14 December 2015, the Bureau decided, subject to receiving an invitation, to observe these elections and constituted an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of 20 members (EPP/CD: 8; SOC: 7, ALDE: 2, EC: 2, UEL: 1 - in accordance with the D'Hondt system) and the co-rapporteurs on post-monitoring dialogue. It also authorised a pre-electoral mission.

Draft decisions: *to approve the composition of the ad hoc committee and appoint its Chairperson*

- iv. Meeting of the Chairpersons of ad hoc committees for the observation of elections, 27 January 2016
[Draft agenda]

Draft decision: *to take note of the draft agenda*

- v. Schedule of elections in 2016
[AS/Bur (2016) 09]

Draft decision: *to take note of the document*

7. **References and transmissions to committees**
[AS/Bur (2016) 02]

Draft decision: *to approve the proposals contained in the document*

8. **Communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe**
[Written communication]

Draft decision: *to take note of the communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe*

9. **Vice-Presidents of the Assembly for 2016**
[AS/Inf (2016) 01]

Draft decision: *to take note of the list of candidates for Vice-Presidents of the Assembly*

10. **[Possibly] Issues raised by committees**

11. **Other business**

Items possibly to be dealt with without debate:

12. Resolution 1376 (2004) relating to Cyprus

[Letters]

Draft decision: to approve the names of the “elected representatives of the Turkish Cypriot community” for 2016, in accordance with Assembly Resolution 1376 (2004)

13. Composition of the Monitoring Committee, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs and the Committee on the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights

[Lists of members]

Draft decision: to approve the lists of members

14. Meetings elsewhere than Strasbourg and Paris

[AS/Bur (2016) 05]

Draft decision: to approve the proposals contained in the document

15. Date and place of next meeting

Friday 29 January 2016, Strasbourg, at 8.30 am