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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft Agenda

for the meetings to be held in Strasbourg (Palais de l'Europe) on:

- Tuesday 25 April 2017 from 2-3.20pm (Room 10)
- [Tuesday 25 April 2017 from 3.20-3.30pm (Room 10)¹]
- Wednesday 26 April 2017 from 2-2.30pm (Room 10)
- [Wednesday 26 April 2017 from 2.30-3.30pm (Room 10)²]
- Thursday 27 April 2017 from 8.30-10am (Room 10)

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1. **Agenda**

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2. **Statement by Mr Alain Destexhe on his visit to Syria**

3. **Human Rights in the North Caucasus: what follow-up to Resolution 1738 (2010)?**

Rapporteur: Mr Michael McNamara, Ireland, SOC

[[Doc. 14083](#) + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution and draft recommendation

4. **Towards a democratic approach to the issues of governance in European multinational States**

Rapporteur: Mr Alain Destexhe, Belgium, ALDE

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Statement by the Chair

¹ Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

² Sub-committee on Human Rights

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

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Meeting documents are published on the Parliamentary Assembly extranet website (restricted area for national delegations): <http://assembly.coe.int/extranet>.

5. State of emergency: proportionality issues concerning derogations under Article 15 of the European Convention on Human Rights

Rapporteur: Mr Raphaël Comte, Switzerland, ALDE
[AS/Jur (2017) 09]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

6. How can inappropriate restrictions on NGO activities in Europe be prevented?

Rapporteur: Ms Aleksandra Djurović, Serbia, EPP/CD
[AS/Jur (2017) 11]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

[Tuesday 25 April 2017 from 3.20-3.30pm (for information)]

- **Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights – (Room 10)**

[Wednesday 26 April 2017 from 2-2.30pm]

7. 25 years of the CPT, achievements and improvements needed

Rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE
[[Doc. 14280](#) + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution and draft recommendation

8. Abusive use of the Interpol system: the need for more stringent legal safeguards

Rapporteur: Mr Bernd Fabritius, Germany, EPP/CD
[[Doc. 14277](#) + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

[Wednesday 26 April 2017 from 2.30 - 3.30pm (for information)]

- **Sub-Committee on Human Rights – (Room 10)**

[Thursday 27 April 2017 from 8.30-10am]

9. Sub-Committee on Human Rights

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10. Venice Commission's "Rule of Law Checklist"

Rapporteur: Mr Philippe Mahoux, Belgium, SOC
[AS/Jur (2017) 08]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Hearing from 9 - 9.40 am

11. Strengthening the rule of law in South-East European countries through targeted reform of the legal system (including Reference 4255 "New threats to the Rule of Law in Council of Europe member States")

Rapporteur: Mr Bernd Fabritius, Germany, EPP/CD
[[AS/Jur (2015) 11]

Hearing with the participation of:

Mr Ireneusz Kaminski, Chair of European and International Law, Professor of Law, Institute of Legal Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland

Mr Jean-Claude Scholsem, Venice Commission alternate member, Professor emeritus, University of Liège, Belgium

12. Addressing the massive curtailment of democratic rights and freedoms in Israel, especially the "Transparency Law"/"NGO Law"

[\[Doc. 14094\]](#)

Request of the Bureau to advise on any follow-up to be given to this motion

13. Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc

Reports by the following representatives:

- The Council for Democratic Elections (of the Venice Commission), 9 March 2017: Ms Eka Beselia (Georgia, SOC)
- 110th plenary session of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission), 10-11 March 2017: Mr Philippe Mahoux (Belgium, SOC)
- 75th plenary meeting of GRECO, 20-24 March 2017: Mr Sergiy Vlasenko (Ukraine, EPP/CD)

14. Other business

[\[http://website-pace.net/en_GB/web/apce/vaclav-havel-human-rights-prize\]](http://website-pace.net/en_GB/web/apce/vaclav-havel-human-rights-prize)

Letter from Commissioner Malmström

[Resolution 2151 \(2017\)](#)

- Letter from Commissioner Cecilia Malmström concerning the report on "Human Rights compatibility of investor-State arbitration in international investment protection agreements" (Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD)

15. Next meetings

Plenary Committee:

- Belgrade, Serbia, 18-19 May 2017
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 3rd part-session of 2017 (26-30 June 2017)
- Paris, 5 September 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2017 (9-13 October 2017)
- Paris, 13 November 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
- Paris, 12 December 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)

SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING THE 2nd PART-SESSION:

Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

- Strasbourg, Tuesday 25 April 2017, 3.20-3.30pm (Room 10)

Sub-Committee on Human Rights

- Strasbourg, Wednesday 26 April 2017, 2.30-3.30pm (Room 10)