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***Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)***

**Draft agenda**

for the meeting to be held *in camera* in STRASBOURG, Palais de l'Europe, room 11, on:

- Tuesday 22 January 2019 from 8.30 am to 10.00 am
- Wednesday 23 January 2019 from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
- Thursday 24 January 2019 from 8.30 am to 9.30 am

Please also note the reconstitution meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conflicts between Council of Europe Member States<sup>1</sup> which will be held on Thursday, 24 January 2019 from 9.30 am to 10.00 am, room 11 (*separate draft agenda*)

**Tuesday 22 January 2019 from 8.30 am to 10.00 am (room 11)**

1. **Opening of the meeting by the oldest member present**
2. **Election of the Chairperson of the Committee**  
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3. **Election of the three Vice-Chairpersons of the Committee**  
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4. **Draft agenda**  
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Adoption of the draft agenda

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee,  
is the convocation to the meeting.**

**It also constitutes the invitations foreseen in Resolution 1115 (1997), paragraph 10.<sup>2</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> Subject to the decision by the Committee on 22 January 2019.

<sup>2</sup> **Resolution 1115, paragraph 10: "When a monitoring procedure is initiated, two members of the parliamentary delegation of the member state concerned (to represent the governing majority and the opposition) shall be invited to take part, without the right to vote, in the relevant debates of the committee unless one or both are already represented on the committee. By analogy with Rule 6, paragraph 8, no member of the parliamentary delegation of the member state concerned shall participate in a vote on any question concerning this state."**

**5. Draft minutes**

[AS/Mon (2018) PV 09]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting held in Paris on 12 December 2018

**6. Reconstitution of the Sub-committee on conflicts between Council of Europe member States**

[AS/Mon (2016) 39]

**7. Turkey**

*Co-rapporteurs: Ms Marianne Mikko, Estonia, SOC and Mr Nigel Evans, United Kingdom, EC*

[AS/Mon (2019) 05] [CDL-AD(2018)031]

- ✓ Exchange of views on alleged secret prisons ("black sites") in Turkey, with the participation of Mr Frederik Richter, Reporter at Correctiv, Head of the international co-operation at the "#BlackSitesTurkey" investigation
- ✓ Update on recent developments: statement by the co-rapporteurs

**8. Establishment of an European Union mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights**

*Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Andrej Šircelj, Slovenia, EPP/CD*

Oral report by the rapporteur on the hearing organised by the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs on 15 January 2019

**Wednesday 23 January 2019 from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm (room 11)**

**9. Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria**

*Co-rapporteurs: Mr Frank Schwabe, Germany, SOC and Mr Zsolt Németh, Hungary, EPP/CD*

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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

**10. Serbia**

*Co-rapporteurs: Ms Maria Guzenina, Finland, SOC and Mr Robert Goodwill, United Kingdom, EC*

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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

**11. Georgia**

*Co-rapporteurs: Mr Titus Corlăţean, Romania, SOC and ...*

Appointment of a co-rapporteur to replace Ms Kerstin Lundgren, Sweden, ALDE

**12. Ukraine**

*Co-rapporteurs: Ms Dzhema Grozdanova, Bulgaria, EPP/CD and Mr Alfred Heer, Switzerland, ALDE*

[AS/Mon (2019) 02]

Consideration of an information note by the co-rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit to Kyiv (19-21 November 2018)

**13. Council for Democratic Elections (Venice Commission)**

Appointment of a representative and a substitute of the Committee to the Council for Democratic Elections for the year 2019

**Thursday 24 January 2019 from 8.30 am to 9.30 am (room 11)**

- 14. The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January-December 2018) and the periodic review of the honouring of obligations by Iceland and Italy**  
*Ex-officio Rapporteur: Sir Roger Gale, United Kingdom, EC*  
[Doc. 14792 + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution on the progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January - December 2018)  
[Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 23 January, 16:00]

- 15. Internal working methods of the monitoring procedure**  
[AS/Mon (2019) 04]

Update by the Chairperson of the committee and exchange of views

- 16. Azerbaijan**  
*Co-rapporteurs: Mr Stefan Schennach, Austria, SOC and Sir Roger Gale, United Kingdom, EC*

Exchange of views on recent developments with regard to political prisoners in Azerbaijan

- 17. Authorisation of fact-finding visits**

- 18. Other business**

**Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2019: call for nominations**  
[Press release]

**Information documents:**

**State of procedures**  
[AS/Mon/Inf (2019) 01]

**Work programme**  
[AS/Mon/Inf (2019) 02]

- 19. Next meetings**

**Paris**, 6 March 2019

**Strasbourg**, 8-12 April 2019 (during the Assembly part-session)

**London**, 16-17 May 2019

**Strasbourg**, 24-28 June 2019 (during the Assembly part-session)

**Paris**, 10 September 2019 (tbc)

**Strasbourg**, 30 September-4 October 2019 (during the Assembly part-session)

**Paris**, 13 November 2019 (tbc)

**Paris**, 11 December 2019 (tbc)