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

Revised draft agenda

of the meeting to be held in camera in STRASBOURG, Palais de l’Europe (room 11), on:

- Monday 27 January 2020, from 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm
- Tuesday, 28 January 2020, from 8.30 am to 10.00 am
- Tuesday, 28 January 2020, from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
- Wednesday, 29 January 2020, from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm (room tbc)
- Thursday, 30 January 2020, from 8.30 am to 10.00 am
- Thursday, 30 January 2020 from 2.00 pm to 2.45 pm

Please also note the reconstitution meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conflicts between Council of Europe Member States\(^1\) which will be held on Thursday, 30 January 2020 from 2.45 pm to 3.30 pm, room 11 (separate draft agenda)

**Monday 27 January 2020 from 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm (room 11)**

1. Opening of the meeting by the oldest member present

2. Election of the Chairperson of the Committee

   [AS/Mon/List (2020) 01]

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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.\(^2\)

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\(^{1}\) Subject to the decision by the Committee on 27 January 2020.

\(^{2}\) 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."
3. **Election of the three Vice-Chairpersons of the Committee**
   [AS/Mon/List (2020) 01]

4. **Draft agenda**
   [AS/Mon (2020) OJ 02 REV]
   Adoption of the revised draft agenda

5. **Draft minutes**
   [AS/Mon (2020) PV 01]
   Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting held in Paris on 16 January 2020

6. **Reconstitution of the Sub-committee on conflicts between Council of Europe member States**
   [AS/Mon (2016) 39]

7. **Poland**
   **Co-rapporteurs: Ms Azadeh Rojhan Gustafsson, Sweden, SOC and Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD**
   [Doc. 15025]
   [AS/Mon (2020) 05 - draft addendum]
   [CDL/PI(2020)002 - Venice Commission opinion]

   Consideration of an addendum to the report on The functioning of democratic institutions in Poland

8. **Challenge, on substantive grounds, of the still unratified credentials of the delegation of the Russian Federation**
   Appointment of a rapporteur

9. **Romania**
   [Letter]

   Exchange of views on recent developments

10. **Turkey**
    **Co-rapporteurs: Mr Thommas Hammarberg, Sweden, SOC and …**

    Appointment of a new co-rapporteur to replace Mr Nigel Evans, United Kingdom, EC/DA

**Tuesday 28 January 2020 from 8.30 am to 10.00 am (room 11)**

11. **Poland**
    **Co-rapporteurs: Ms Azadeh Rojhan Gustafsson, Sweden, SOC and Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD**
    [Doc. 15025]
    [Amendments to Doc. 15025]

    Consideration of possible amendments tabled to the draft resolution on The functioning of democratic institutions in Poland
    [Assembly debate: Tuesday 28 January 2020 morning]
    [Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 27 January at 4.00 pm]
12. **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 2020

**Tuesday 28 January 2020 from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm (room 11)**

13. **Challenge, on substantive grounds, of the still unratified credentials of the delegation of the Russian Federation**

   **Rapporteur:**
   [AS/Mon (2020) 07]

   Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

14. **Bosnia and Herzegovina**

   **Co-rapporteurs:** Mr Tiny Kox, Netherlands, UEL and Mr Zsolt Németh, Hungary, EPP/CD

   [UN High representative report]
   [COM(2019) 261 final]
   [Press release on the Sejdić and Finci case]

   Exchange of views on recent developments in the country

15. **Bulgaria**

   **Co-rapporteurs:** Mr Frank Schwabe, Germany, SOC and Mr Aleksander Pociej, Poland, EPP/CD

   [CDL-AD(2019)031]
   [Letter from the Bulgarian Delegation]

   Exchange of views on recent developments

**Wednesday 29 January 2020 from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm (room tbc)**

16. **Challenge, on substantive grounds, of the still unratified credentials of the delegation of the Russian Federation**

   **Rapporteur:**
   [Doc. ***]
   [Amendments to Doc. ***]

   Consideration of possible amendments tabled to the draft resolution
   [Assembly debate: Wednesday, 29 January 2020 afternoon]
   [Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 29 January at ***]

**Thursday 30 January 2020 from 8.30 am to 10.00 am (room 11)**

17. **The progress of the Assembly’s monitoring procedure (January-December 2019)**

   **Rapporteur:** Sir Roger Gale, United Kingdom, EC/DA

   [Doc. 15031]
   [Amendments to Doc. 15031]

   Consideration of possible amendments tabled to the draft resolution
   [Assembly debate: Thursday 30 January 2020 afternoon]
   [Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 29 January at 4.00 pm]
18. Spain

Hearing on recent developments in the country with Mr Roger Torrent i Ramió, Speaker of the Parliament of Catalonia, and Mr Antonio Gutiérrez (Spain, SOC), Chairperson of the Spanish Delegation to PACE

Exchange of views with the participation of representatives of all political parties currently represented in the Spanish Delegation to PACE

Thursday 30 January 2020 from 2.00 pm to 2.45 pm (room 11)

19. Ukraine [TBC]
Co-rapporteurs: Ms Dzhema Grozdanova, Bulgaria, EPP/CD and Mr Alfred Heer, Switzerland, ALDE

Exchange of views [TBC]

20. Reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 2151 (2019)
Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Andrej Šircelj, Slovenia, EPP/CD
[Recommendation 2151 (2019)]
[Doc. 15016 – reply by the CM]
[Doc. 14860 – Committee Opinion]

Consideration of the reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 2151 (2019) on “the Establishment of a European Union mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights”

21. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2020: call for nominations
[Press release]

22. Albania
Co-rapporteurs: Mr Joseph O’Reilly, Ireland, EPP/CD and …

Appointment of a new co-rapporteur to replace Mr Andrej Hunko, Germany, UEL

23. Russian Federation
Co-rapporteurs: Mr Axel Schäfer, Germany, SOC and …

Appointment of a new co-rapporteur to replace Mr Telmo Correia, Portugal, EPP/CD

24. Authorisation of fact-finding visits

25. Meeting of the Monitoring Committee in Ankara (26-27 March 2020)
[AS/Mon (2020) *** draft programme]
[AS/Mon (2020) *** practical information]
26. **Call for candidates**

   Periodic review report on the honouring of membership obligations by Hungary
   
   Periodic review report on the honouring of membership obligations by Malta
   
   Periodic review report on the honouring of membership obligations by Romania

27. **Other business**

   Monitoring Committee: Work overview
   [AS/Mon/Inf (2020) 02]

28. **Next meetings**

   Ankara, 26-27 March 2020
   Strasbourg, 20-24 April 2020 (during the Assembly part-session)
   Paris, 27 May 2020 (Council of Europe Office) (tbc)
   Strasbourg, 22-26 June 2020 (during the Assembly part-session)
   Paris, 8 September 2020 (Council of Europe Office) (tbc)
   Strasbourg, 12-16 October 2020 (during the Assembly part-session)
   Paris, 13 November 2020 (Council of Europe Office) (tbc)
   Paris, 10 December 2020 (Council of Europe Office) (tbc)