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Communication by the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly at the 1159<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ministers' Deputies<sup>1</sup> (16 January 2013)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This document covers past activities of the Assembly since the meeting of the Bureau on 29 November 2012 (Andorra la Vella) and the future activities up to the meeting of the Bureau on 21 January 2013 (Strasbourg).

# I. Decisions taken by the Bureau

# A. First part-session of 2013 (21-25 January 2013)

On 17 December 2012, the Bureau drew up the draft agenda and took note of the guest speakers to be invited to the Assembly's first part-session of 2013. The appended draft agenda has been updated, under the authority of the Secretary General of the Assembly, to reflect the modifications to be proposed to the Bureau on 21 January 2013 (Appendix 1).

#### B. Observation of elections

#### Guidelines for the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly

On 29 November and 17 December 2012, the Bureau considered, amended and subsequently approved the revised Guidelines, subject to ratification by the Assembly in the framework of the Progress Report at the beginning of the January part-session.

#### Follow-up to Paragraphs 9 and 10 of Resolution 1897 (2012) "For more democratic elections"

On 17 December 2012, the Bureau took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly containing proposals for strengthening synergies and enhancing the follow-up given to recommendations made in election observation reports as advocated in paragraphs 9 and 10 of Resolution 1897 (2012), and agreed to make it available to the meeting of Chairpersons of ad hoc Committees for the observation of elections (Strasbourg, 22 January 2013).

#### Parliamentary elections in Georgia (1 October 2012)

The Bureau, on 29 November 2012, approved the report issued by the ad hoc committee.

#### **Early parliamentary elections in Montenegro (14 October 2012)**

The Bureau, on 29 November 2012, approved the report issued by the ad hoc committee.

#### Parliamentary elections in Ukraine (28 October 2012)

The Bureau, on 29 November 2012, approved the report issued by the ad hoc committee.

#### Schedule of elections 2013

On 17 December 2012, the Bureau took note of a memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly (Appendix 2).

#### Parliamentary elections in Monaco (10 February 2013)

On 17 December 2012, the Bureau approved the composition of the ad hoc committee (composed of 6 members, including one from each political group and the Rapporteur for the post-monitoring dialogue with Monaco) and appointed Mr Piotr Wach (Poland, EPP/CD) as Chairperson.

# Presidential election in Armenia (18 February 2013)

On 17 December 2012, the Bureau approved the composition of the ad hoc committee (composed of 22 members: EPP/DC: 7, SOC: 6; ALDE: 3; EDG: 3; UEL: 1 and the two Co-Rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee) and appointed Ms Karin Woldseth (Norway, EDG) as Chairperson.

## C. Other decisions taken by the Bureau

- > Draft Declaration of the Standing Committee on the International day for the elimination of violence against women (25 November 2012): on 29 November 2012, the Bureau approved the draft Declaration, which was subsequently adopted by the Standing Committee.
- Assembly List consequences of the adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of the "Resolution on the status of Palestine": on 17 December 2012, the Bureau decided to use the name "Palestine", subject to ratification by the Assembly in the framework of the Progress report at the beginning of the January part-session.
- Procedure of the election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe: the Bureau, on 17 December 2012, invited the President to confirm to the Chair of the Committee of Ministers that this election would be held on Tuesday 24 June 2014.

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- Implementation of Resolution 1903 (2012) on the code of conduct of members of the Parliamentary Assembly: good practice or a core duty?: on 17 December 2012, the Bureau considered the memorandum prepared by the Secretariat with regard to the registration of gifts and similar benefits of value in excess of € 200 accepted by members in the performance of their duties, and decided to come back to this issue at its next meeting.
- PACE participation in the open-ended Ad hoc Working Party of the Committee of Ministers on the Future of the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity (North-South Centre) (GT-CNS): the Bureau, on 17 December 2012, decided to appoint Ms Maryvonne Blondin (France, SOC) and Sir Roger Gale (United Kingdom, EDG) to participate in the Ad hoc Working Party.

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Apportionment of the allocation to political groups for 2013: the Bureau, on 17 December 2012, approved the proposal for the apportionment of the allocation.

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**Expenditure of the Parliamentary Assembly for the 2013 financial year**: the Bureau, on 17 December 2012, took note of the information provided by the Secretary General of the Assembly.

#### II. Activities of Committees

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- 12 November 2012 in Paris, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights held a hearing on Access to Nationality with the participation of Professor René de Groot, Professor of Comparative Law and International Private Law, Maastricht University, The Netherlands, Ms Inge Sturkenboom, Protection Officer (Statelessness), UNHCR Bureau for Europe, Brussels, Belgium, and Ms Ivanka Kostic, Representative of the European Network on Statelessness, Executive Director, Praxis, Belgrade, Serbia
- > 19-20 November 2012 in Moscow, the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development held
  - o an exchange of views on *Equal access to health care* with the participation of Prof. Dr. Heinz-Jochen Zenker MPH, President of Doctors of the World, Germany, Ms Lialia Gabbasova, Ministry of Health, Russian Federation; Mr Serguey Kalashnikov, Chairperson of the Committee of Public Health, Russian State Duma; and Mr Michael Ugryumov, Academician of the Academy of Sciences of the Russian Federation;
  - on exchange of views on *Towards a Council of Europe Convention to combat trafficking in organs, tissues and cells of human origin* with the participation of Ms Lialia Gabbasova, Ministry of Health, Russian Federation; Mr Michael Ugryumov, Academician of the Academy of Sciences of the Russian Federation, and Mr Serguey Gotié, Ministry of Health, Russian Federation, Doctor, graft specialist; considered a draft report, amended and unanimously adopted a draft recommendation in view of its presentation for debate in the Assembly during the 1<sup>st</sup> part-session 2013; authorised the transmission of the report to the CDPC (European Committee on Crime Problems) and asked the Chairperson to inform them that the Committee supports the variant of the draft project of Convention including Article 4 paragraph 1a;
  - an exchange of views on Nanotechnology: balancing benefits and risks to public health and the environment with the participation of Ms Ilise Feitshans, visiting scientist, University of Lausanne, Switzerland and Mr Michael Ugryumov, Academician of the Academy of Sciences of the Russian Federation; considered a revised draft report, amended and unanimously adopted a

draft recommendation, in view of its presentation for debate in the Assembly during the 2<sup>nd</sup> partsession 2013.

- > 26-27 November 2012 in Geneva, the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons held:
  - a hearing on "Effective and fair return of irregular migrants and failed asylum seekers: protection of returnees' fundamental rights and dignity" with the participation of Ambassador Eduard Gnesa, Special Ambassador for International Cooperation in Migration, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (DEZA);
  - an exchange of views with Ms Marcia V.J. Kran, Director of the Research and Right to Development Division, OHCHR, and a statement was heard by Ms Pia Oberoi, Migration Adviser, OHCHR on behalf of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants;
  - o an exchange of views on *The situation of migrants in domestic service in Europe* with the participation of Mr Martin Oelz, ILO (International Labour Organization) speaking about Convention 189 and Recommendation 201 on "decent work for domestic workers".
- Peacewher 2012 in New York (United States of America), the Sub-Committee on external relations (of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy), attended the IPU Parliamentary Hearing on "A road less travelled: Parliamentary approaches to conflict prevention, reconciliation, and peace building" and held separate exchanges of views with Ambassador Ferit Hoxha, Permanent Representative of Albania to the United Nations; Ambassador Vitaly Churkin, Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations; Mr Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations; Mr Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; Ms Catherine Bragg, Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator; Mr Ivan Šimonović, Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, Head of the New York Office of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Mr Mike Smith, Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director, Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate; Ms Fadzai Gwaradzimba, Deputy Assistant Administrator and Deputy Director of the Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy (BERA) of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); and representatives of the UN Department of Political Affairs (DPA).
- 11 December 2012 in Paris, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights held:
  - a hearing on *The participation of non-member states in Council of Europe conventions* with the participation of Mr Guy de Vel, former Director General of Legal Affairs, Council of
     Europe and Mr Rolf Einar Fife, Director General, Department for Legal Affairs, Ministry for
     Foreign Affairs, Norway;
  - a hearing on *Promoting alternatives to imprisonment* with the participation of Dr Jovan Ćirić,
     Director of the Institute of Comparative Law, Belgrade, Serbia and Professor Dr Marcelo Aebi,
     Deputy Director, Faculty of Criminal Science, University of Lausanne, Switzerland;
  - a hearing on *National security and access to information* with the participation of Lord Alexander Carlile, House of Lords, Barrister-in-Law QC, former Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation, London (via live video link); Ms Sandra Coliver, Senior Legal Officer, Freedom of Information and Expression, Open Society Justice Initiative, New York; and Ms Susana Sánchez Ferro, Professor of Constitutional Law, Autonomous University of Madrid;
  - an exchange of views on Measures to prevent abusive use of the Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons (ETS No. 112) with Ms Anita van de Kar-Bachelet, Secretary to the Council of Europe's Committee of experts on the operation of European conventions on co-operation in criminal matters (PC-OC)).
- > 13-14 December 2012 in Turin (Italy), the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy held:
  - o a Conference on "Human Rights and Foreign Policy": heard welcoming statements by Mr Piero Fassino, Mayor of Turin; Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe; and Mr Luigi Vitali, Chairperson of the Italian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly; heard contributions from the following guest speakers: Ms Elsa Fornero, Minister of Labour, Social Policies and Equal Opportunities, Mr Lamberto Dini, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Italian Senate, Mr Stavros Lambrinidis, European Union Special Representative for Human Rights, Mr Vladimir Lukin, Ombudsman of the Russian Federation, Mr Gianni Magazzeni, Chief of Americas, Europe and Central Asia Branch, Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr Nicolas J. Beger, Director of Amnesty International European Institutions Office, Brussels, Father Paolo Dall'Oglio, Italian Jesuit priest and leader of

- the Deir Mar Mûsa monastery in Syria, Mr Kostantin Dolgov, Special Representative for Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation:
- a debate on *Human Rights and Foreign Policy* with the participation of Chairpersons of Foreign Affairs and Human Rights Committees of National Parliaments of Council of Europe member States and approved a declaration;
- an exchange of views on the *Evaluation of the partnership for democracy with the parliament of Morocco*, with the participation of Mr Karim Ghellab, Speaker of the Chamber of Representatives of the Parliament of Morocco;
- o an exchange of views on *The situation in Kosovo<sup>2</sup> and the role of the Council of Europe*, with the participation of Mr Hydajet Hyseni-Kaloshi, Vice-President of the Committee on International relations of the Kosovo Assembly, PDK party, representing the ruling majority, and Mr Sabri Hamiti, Vice-President of the Kosovo Assembly, LDK party, representing the opposition;
- a hearing on Violence against religious communities with the participation of: Father Paolo Dall'Oglio, Italian Jesuit priest and leader of the Deir Mar Mûsa monastery in Syria; and Mr Khaled Fouad Allam, Professor of Sociology of the Muslim world and History and Institutions of the Islamic countries at the University of Trieste.
- ➤ 19 December 2012 in Paris, the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media held a hearing on "FIFA governance" with the participation of: Jérôme Champagne, former FIFA Deputy Secretary General, Jean-Loup Chappelet, Professor at the Swiss Graduate School of Public Administration (IDHEAP), Lausanne, Sylvia Schenk, Transparency International and Théo Zwanziger, member of the FIFA Executive Committee; and held an exchange of views with Mr Wim de Vos, President of the Jury for the Museum Prize, and decided to award the Museum Prize for 2013 to the Museum of Liverpool:

# III. Fact-finding visits in the framework of preparation of reports

"Missing persons from Europe's conflicts: the long road to finding humanitarian answers."

**Mr Sheridan** (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons* carried out a fact-finding mission to Geneva on **3 December 2012**.

"The honouring of obligations and commitments by Georgia"

Mr Cilevičs (Latvia, SOC) and Mr M.A. Jensen (Denmark, ALDE), Co-rapporteurs of the *Monitoring Committee*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Georgia from 5 to 7 December 2012.

"Tackling discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity"

**Mr Haugli** (Norway, SOC), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination* carried out a fact-finding visit to Hungary on **6-7 December 2012**.

"Tackling racism in the police"

**Mr Davies** (United Kingdom, EDG), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination* carried out a fact-finding visit to United Kingdom on **10-11 December 2012**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

# IV. Relations with the Committee of Ministers

- ➤ 11 December 2012 in Paris, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights held an exchange of views with Ambassador Charles-Edouard Held, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the Council of Europe, Chairperson of the Ministers' Deputies Rapporteur Group on Legal Co-operation (GR-J).
- On 19 December in Paris, the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media held a hearing on Violence in audiovisual media and its consequences on children and society, with the participation of: Ambassador Luis Filipe Castro Mendes, Chairperson of the Rapporteur Group on Education, Culture, Sport, Youth and Environment of the Committee of Ministers (GR-C), Permanent Representative of Portugal to the Council of Europe, Ambassador Thomas Hajnoczi, Thematic Coordinator on Information Policy of the Committee of Ministers, Permanent Representative of Austria to the Council of Europe, Divina Frau-Meigs, University of Paris III, Jo Groebel, Scientific Director of the UNESCO Study on Media Violence of 1998, Berlin, Giacomo Mazzone, European Broadcasting Union, Grand-Saconnex/Geneva, Salome Ramos, Psychologist, Aveiro, Portugal, Astrid Zipfel, Institute for Communication and Media Science, Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf

and held an exchange of views with Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, in the presence of Ambassador Luis Filipe Castro Mendes, Chairperson of the GR-C, and Ambassador Francisco Seixas da Costa, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Ambassador of Portugal to France.

# V. Relations with the Venice Commission

> Joint meeting of the Presidential Committee with the Enlarged Bureau of the Venice Commission: the joint meeting was held on 15 December 2012 in Venice.

# VI. Co-operation with the European Parliament

> Joint meeting between the Presidential Committee and the Conference of Presidents of the European Parliament (Brussels, 7 November 2012)

The Bureau, on 29 November 2012, heard statements by the President and the Secretary General of the Assembly on the joint meeting held in Brussels on the theme Coordination between the Council of Europe and the European Union in respect of fundamental rights, continuing the tradition of annual meetings between the PACE Presidential Committee and the EP Conference of Presidents. During this meeting, the members of the Presidential Committee advocated closer cooperation between the PACE and the European Parliament, particularly to tackle the specific problems faced by some States in respect of fundamental rights and democratic principles, both within and beyond the Union European. They also expressed the wish that the EU accede rapidly to the European Convention on human rights and called for duplication of work between the two bodies to be avoided in the name of enhanced complementarity. They noted that there was very good mutual cooperation in the framework of joint observation of elections and discussed, in particular, the presidential election in Ukraine of 28 October 2012. It was also agreed that the Secretaries General should meet as soon as possible to identify the areas of cooperation and to define the practical modalities, in accordance with the agreement of 28 November 2007 on the strengthening of cooperation between the two assemblies.

# VII <u>List of meetings of the committees, the Bureau and the Presidential</u> <u>Committee</u>

- 3 December 2012, Paris: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination
- **6-7 December 2012, New York (USA)**: Sub-Committee on External Relations (of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy)
- **11 December 2012 Paris:** Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights with hearings on "The participation of non-member states in Council of Europe conventions", "National security and access to information", "Promoting alternatives to imprisonment" and an exchange of views on "Review of Council of Europe Conventions"
- **12 December 2012, Paris:** Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)
- 13-14 December 2012, Turin (Italy): Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy
- **15 December 2012, Venice (Italy)**: Joint meeting of *the Presidential Committee* with the Enlarged Bureau of the Venice Commission
- 16 December 2012, Paris: Presidential Committee
- 17 December 2012, Paris: Bureau of the Assembly
- 17 December 2012, Paris: Meeting of the Secretaries of National Delegations
- 18-19 December 2012, Paris: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media
- **14-16 January 2013, Athens and the Greco-Turkish border**: Ad Hoc Sub-Committee on large scale arrival of irregular migrants, asylum seekers and refuges on Europe's Southern shores (of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons)
- 20 January 2013, Strasbourg: Presidential Committee
- 21 January 2013, Strasbourg: Bureau of the Assembly

#### **APPENDIX 1**

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1st part of the 2013 Ordinary Session (21-25 January 2013)

# Draft agenda<sup>1</sup>

Modifications to be submitted to the Bureau of the Assembly on 21 January 2013<sup>2</sup>

(The agenda is approved by the Assembly at the opening of the part-session)

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<sup>1.</sup> Drawn up by the Bureau of the Assembly on 17 December 2012.

<sup>2.</sup> This draft agenda has been updated, under the authority of the Secretary General of the Assembly, to reflect modifications (indicated in grey) to be proposed to the Bureau of the Assembly before the opening of the part-session.

# Legends and abbreviations

List of committees

Bur: Bureau of the Assembly Per: Standing Committee

Pol: Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy Jur: Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Soc: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Mig: Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

Cult: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

Ega: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Mon: Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of

**Europe (Monitoring Committee)** 

Pro: Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

List of political groups

EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party

SOC: Socialist Group

ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

EDG: European Democrat Group

UEL: Group of the Unified European Left

NR: Representatives not belonging to a political group

#### Symbols

- Presentation, statement
- Deadline for tabling documents
- Lists (speakers, questions)
- A Votes

# Meetings outside the Chamber

Bureau of the Assembly Monday: 08:00-09:30 Friday: 08:30-10:00

Committees

Monday: 14:00-15:00 Tuesday: 08:30-10:00 Tuesday: 14:00-15:30 Wednesday: 14:00-15:30 Thursday: 08:30-10:00 Thursday: 14:00-15:30

Political groups Monday: 09:30-11:30 Monday: 17:00-19:00 Wednesday: 08:30-10:00

# Monday 21 January 2013

## Sitting No. 1 (11:30-13:00)

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- 1.1. Examination of credentials
  - List of delegations:
    - o (Doc.)
- 1.2. Election of the President of the Assembly
- 1.3. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly
- 1.4. Appointment of members of committees
- 1.5. Request(s) for current affairs debate or debate under urgent procedure
- 1.6. Adoption of the agenda
- 1.7. Approval of the minutes of proceedings of the Standing Committee (Andorra la Vella, 30 November 2012)

# 2. Debate

- 2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Tiny KOX (Netherlands, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc.)
- List of speakers
- □ [possibly] Vote

## Sitting No. 2 (15:00-17:00)

- 3. Address (15:00-16:00)
  - 3.1. Communication from the Committee of Ministers to the Parliamentary Assembly
    - Presentation by:
      - o Mr Gilbert SABOYA SUNYE, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Andorra, Chairperson of the Committee of Ministers
  - Questions
  - Written questions (deadline for tabling: Monday 14 January, 11:30)
- 4. Address (16:00-17:00)
  - 4.1. Address by Mr Mikheil SAAKASHVILI, President of Georgia
  - Questions

#### <del>Debate</del>

Free debate

# Tuesday 22 January 2013

# Sitting No. 3 (10:00-13:00)

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- 5.1. The situation in Kosovo\*3 and the role of the Council of Europe
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Björn von SYDOW (Sweden, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 13088)

#### List of speakers

- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- △ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 13088)

# 6. Address (12:00-13:00)

- 6.1. Communication from the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND
- Questions

# Sitting No. 4 (15:30-20:00)

#### 7. Debate

- 7.1. The activities of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Tuur ELZINGA (Netherlands, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 13089)
  - Statement by:
    - o Mr Hans Peter LANKES, Vice-President of the EBRD

#### List of speakers

- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- △ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 13089)

#### 8. Debate

- 8.1. Ensuring the viability of the Strasbourg Court: structural deficiencies in States Parties
  - Presentation by:
  - o Mr Serhii KIVALOV (Ukraine, EDG), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 13087)
  - Statement by:
    - o Ms Paola SEVERINO, Minister of Justice of Italy [tbc]

#### List of speakers

- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- △ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 13087)

<sup>3. \*</sup> All references to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

# Wednesday 23 January 2013

## Sitting No. 5 (10:00-13:00)

#### 9. Debate

- 9.1. Georgia and Russia: the humanitarian situation in the conflict- and war-affected areas
  - Presentation by:
    - o Ms Tina ACKETOFT (Sweden, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 13083)
- List of speakers
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 10:30)
- △ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 13083)

# 10. Debate (12:00-13:00)

#### 10.1. Free debate

List of speakers

#### **Address**

Address by an invited personality [tbe]

# Sitting No. 6 (15:30-20:00)

#### 11. Joint debate

- 11.1. The honouring of obligations and commitments by Azerbaijan
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Pedro AGRAMUNT (Spain, EPP/CD), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 13084)
    - o Mr Joseph DEBONO GRECH (Malta, SOC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 13084)
- 11.2. The follow-up to the issue of political prisoners in Azerbaijan
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Christoph STRÄSSER (Germany, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 13079)

#### List of speakers

- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 16:00)
- △ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 13079)

#### 12. Debate

- 12.1. Towards a Council of Europe convention to combat trafficking in organs, tissues and cells of human origin
  - Presentation by:
    - o Mr Bernard MARQUET (Monaco, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 13082)

## List of speakers

- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 16:00)
- △ Vote on a draft recommendation (Doc. 13082)

# Thursday 24 January 2013

# Sitting No. 7 (10:00-13:00)

- 13. [Possibly] Debate under urgent procedure or current affairs debate<sup>4</sup>
- 14. Address (12:00-13:00)
  - 14.1. Address by Mr Štefan FÜLE, European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy
  - Questions

# Sitting No. 8 (15:30-19:30)

- 15. Debate
  - 15.1. The state of media freedom in Europe
    - Presentation by:
      - o Mr Mats JOHANSSON (Sweden, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 13078)
  - List of speakers
  - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 23 January, 16:00)
  - △ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 13078)
- 16. Debate
  - 16.1. Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria
    - Presentation by:
      - o Mr Luca VOLONTÈ (Italy, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 13085)
  - List of speakers

  - △ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 13085)

<sup>4.</sup> Subject to a decision by the Assembly

# Friday 25 January 2013

Sitting No. 9 (10:00-13:00)

#### 17. Debate

- 17.1. Gender equality, reconciliation of personal and working life and shared responsibility
  - Presentation by:
    - o Ms Carmen QUINTANILLA (Spain, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 13080)
- List of speakers
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 24 January, 10:30)
- 18. Debate
  - 18.1. Trafficking of migrant workers for forced labour
    - Presentation by:
      - o Ms Annette GROTH (Germany, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 13086)
      - o Ms Pirkko MATTILA (Finland, NR), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Ega (Doc. )
  - List of speakers
  - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 24 January, 10:30)
  - △ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 13086)
- 19. Constitution of the Standing Committee
- 20. Closure of the part-session

# APPENDIX 2 Elections Calendar 2013

COUNTRY	TYPE	DATE	STATUS	REMARKS	Bureau decision taken
Monaco	Parliamentary	10 February	Post-Monitoring Dialogue	Invitation received	
Armenia	Presidential (pre-electoral mission)	January		Invitation received	
	Presidential (observation mission)	18 February	Monitoring Procedure		
	Presidential (possible 2 <sup>nd</sup> round)	February/March			
Montenegro	Presidential	April	Monitoring Procedure	Invitation not yet received	
Tunisia	Parliamentary and Presidential (pre-electoral mission) Parliamentary and Presidential				
	(1 <sup>st</sup> round) (observation mission)			Invitation not yet received	
	Presidential (possible 2 <sup>nd</sup> round)				
Albania -	Parliamentary (pre-electoral mission)	May	Monitoring	Invitation not yet received	
	Parliamentary (observation mission)	23 June	Procedure		
Bulgaria	Parliamentary	23 June	Post-Monitoring Dialogue	Invitation not yet received	Pending the decision of AS/Mon on whether to conclude the post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria
Georgia	Presidential (pre-electoral mission)	September	Monitoring Procedure	Invitation not yet received	
	Presidential (observation mission)	October			
	Presidential (possible 2 <sup>nd</sup> round)	October/November			
Azerbaijan	Presidential (pre-electoral mission)	September		Invitation not yet received	
	Presidential (observation mission)	October	Monitoring Procedure		
	Presidential (possible 2 <sup>nd</sup> round)	October/November			

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