

**FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

**Secretariat of the Assembly**  
**Synopsis No. 2002/94**

5 September 2002

**The Bureau of the Assembly**, meeting on 3 September 2002 in Luxembourg with Mr Schieder in the Chair, as regards:

- *Honouring of commitments and obligations by Azerbaijan*: heard a statement by Mr Andreas Gross, co-rapporteur on Azerbaijan of the Monitoring Committee, on the difficulties faced in the preparation of the fact-finding mission by the co-rapporteurs to the country (15-22 July 2002) and of his presence in the country during the referendum on the constitutional amendments (25 August 2002);
- *Standing Committee, Luxembourg, 3 September 2002*: took note of the revised draft agenda;
- *September 2002 Part-Session (Strasbourg, 23-27 September 2002)*:
  - . adopted the agenda;
  - . drew up the draft order of business;
- *Progress report of the Bureau*: (Rapporteur Mr Azzolini, Italy, EPP) approved the first part of the draft report covering the period 28 June-3 September 2002;
- *Joint meeting between the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the European Parliament during the September 2002 Part-Session (Tuesday, 24 September 2002)*: took note of the draft programme;
- *4<sup>th</sup> Part-Session in 2003 in Strasbourg*: agreed to propose to the Assembly to hold the Part-Session from 29 September to 3 October 2003 and to consider dates for future sessions at a forthcoming meeting;
- *Observation of elections*:
  - . Parliamentary elections in “the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia “ (15 September 2002): took note of the statement following the pre-electoral mission (26-28 August 2002) and of the lists of members for the observation of the elections;
  - . General elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina (5 October 2002): took note of the preliminary list of members;
  - . Parliamentary elections in Latvia (5 October 2002): agreed to observe the elections;
  - . Federal Republic of Yugoslavia-agreed to observe the following elections:
    - . Presidential elections in Serbia (29 September 2002)
    - . Elections of the Parliament of the Republic of Montenegro (6 October 2002)
    - . Municipal elections in Kosovo (26 October 2002);

- *Gonghadze case*: appointed Mr Hans-Christian Krüger, former Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, as an expert consultant to report to the Bureau on the legal and judicial aspects of the case following a visit to Ukraine;
- *References, transmissions, modifications and requests for extension of references to committees*: approved proposals to be submitted for ratification by the Standing Committee;
- *Monitoring Committee*: approved the change to the list of members submitted by the Socialist group for ratification by the Assembly;
- *Meeting authorised elsewhere than in Strasbourg or Paris*:
  - . Sub-committee on the cultural heritage (of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education), Venice, 21-22 November 2002;
  - . Sub-committee on tourism development (of the Committee on Economic Affairs and Development), Madrid, 2003, as its annual sub-committee ticket;
- *Appointments of Assembly representatives for official activities*:
  - . a delegation composed of one member each to be appointed by the Political Affairs Committee, the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs, and the Committee on Culture, Science and Education, to attend the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Standing Committee and Conference on security in the Mediterranean (Madrid, 2-4 October 2002);
  - . Mr Slutsky (Russia, SOC) to Monaco, 24-25 October 2002, for the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Economic Crime;
- *Future meetings*:
  - . Strasbourg, Monday 23 September 2002 at 8.30 am
  - . Strasbourg, Friday 27 September 2002 at 8.30 am
  - . Strasbourg, Wednesday 6 November 2002 at 4 pm
  - . Valletta, Monday 18 November 2002 at 9 am
  - . Paris, Monday 9 December 2002 at 9.30 am.

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