



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Secretariat of the Assembly

Synopsis

8 June 2011

The Ad Hoc committee of the Bureau on recent detentions, prosecutions and convictions of members of the opposition in Belarus, meeting on Monday 30 May 2011 in Paris with Mr Tomáš Jirsa (Czech Republic, EDG) in the Chair, as regards :

- ***Exchange of views on the future action*** : held an exchange of views on a draft report presented by the Chairman on the detentions, prosecutions and convictions of members of the opposition in Belarus following the events of 19 December 2010 and instructed the Secretariat to update, enlarge and finalise the draft report proposed by the Chairman, with a view to present it to the Bureau at the latest during the fourth part of the 2011 Ordinary Session ;
- ***Date and place of the next meeting***: decided to hold its next meeting on Tuesday 21 June 2011 in Strasbourg, during the third part of the 2011 Ordinary Session.

Markus Adelsbach/Marine Trévisan

cc. Secretary General of the Assembly
Director General and directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly
Observers to the Assembly
Secretary General of the Congress
Secretary to the Committee of Ministers
Directors General
Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for Organisational Development and Reform
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
Director of Communication
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

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Bureau of the Assembly

Ad hoc committee of the Bureau on recent detentions, prosecutions and convictions of members of the opposition in Belarus

1. At its meeting on 10 March 2011, the Bureau of the Assembly decided to set up an ad hoc committee of the Bureau on recent detentions, prosecutions and convictions of members of the opposition in Belarus, with the following composition, terms of reference and timetable:

2. Composition

The ad hoc committee will be composed of one representative per political group who is not a member of the Bureau of the Assembly (cf. paragraph 12 of Resolution 1790 (2010)).

Group Of The European People's Party (EPP/CD) : Mr Piotr Wach (Poland)

Socialist Group (SOC) : Mr Tadeusz Iwinski (Poland)

European Democrat Group (EDG): Mr Tomáš Jirsa (Czech Republic) (Chairperson)

Alliance Of Liberals And Democrats For Europe (ALDE) : Mrs Marieluise Beck (Germany)

Group Of The Unified European Left (UEL) : Mr/M. Andrej Hunko (Germany)

Secretariat : Mme Marine Trévisan, Secretary of the Bureau

3. Terms of reference

To collect and assess all relevant information concerning the events of 19 December 2010 in the aftermath of the Presidential elections and the subsequent detention, prosecution and conviction of members of the opposition in Belarus and to submit the conclusions of its work to the Bureau, including any proposals for further action.

4. Timetable

The ad hoc committee should present its proposals to the Bureau, at the latest, during the 2011 fourth part-session of the Assembly.