



BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY

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To the members of the Assembly

Synopsis
of the meeting held in Strasbourg
on 26 April 2013

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Friday 26 April 2013 in Strasbourg, with Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, President of the Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Second part-session of 2013 (Strasbourg, 22-26 April):** approved the following proposals made by the Secretary General of the Assembly for the follow-up to the part-session:
 - Current affairs debate on “*Syrian refugees in Jordan, Turkey, Lebanon and Iraq, how to organise and support international assistance?*”: referred this subject to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report* and to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for opinion*;
 - *Request for the opening of a monitoring procedure in respect of Hungary*: took note of the Opinion by the Monitoring Committee, adopted on 25 April 2013, and decided to put this item on the agenda of the next Bureau meeting to be held on 30 May in Yerevan;
- **Standing Committee (Yerevan, 31 May 2013):** took note of the draft agenda;
- **Third part-session of 2013 (Strasbourg, 24-28 June):** drew up the preliminary draft agenda;
- **Election observation:**

Albania: parliamentary elections (23 June 2013): approved the composition of the ad hoc committee and appointed Mr Luca Volontè (Italy, EPP/CD) as Chairperson (see Appendix 1);
- **References and transmissions to committees:** approved the proposals contained in Appendix 2, to be submitted for ratification by the Assembly on the same day;
- **Issues raised by committees:**

Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy:

 - authorised Mr Andres Herkel (Estonia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur on “The situation in Belarus”, to carry out a fact-finding visit to Belarus, in the framework of the preparation of his report;
 - authorised Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu (Turkey, EPP/CD), Rapporteur on the “Request for partner for democracy status with the Parliamentary Assembly submitted by the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic” to carry out a fact-finding visit to Kyrgyzstan in June 2013, in the framework of the preparation of his report;

- authorised an ad hoc Sub-Committee composed of representatives of all political groups to carry out a fact-finding visit to Kyrgyzstan, in the framework of the preparation of the report on the “Request for partner for democracy status with the Parliamentary Assembly submitted by the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic” (Rapporteur: Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Turkey, EDG);
- authorised Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC), Rapporteur on the “Parliamentary contribution to solving the Western Sahara conflict”, to carry out a fact-finding visit to the region, in the framework of the preparation of her report;
- **Ad Hoc Committee to participate in the International parliamentary conference: Role of Parliamentary Organisations in building a Europe without dividing lines (St Petersburg, Russian Federation, 12 April 2013):** took note of the oral report by the President of the Assembly;
- **Václav Havel Human Rights Prize – designation of members of the selection panel:**
 - approved a memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly concerning the designation of members of the Selection Panel;
 - invited Bureau members to propose candidatures for the third Selection Panel member to be designated by the Bureau and to submit them before 15 May 2013 to the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly;
- **Progress Report of the Bureau of the Assembly and of the Standing Committee (26 April – 23 June 2013):** postponed the appointment of the Rapporteur to its next meeting;
- **ONE in FIVE campaign - Partnership between the Parliamentary Assembly and the A.G. Leventis Foundation, signed on 4 April 2013:** took note of a memorandum prepared by the Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly;
- **European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT):** drew up the list of candidates for the CPT in respect of Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Serbia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland, to be forwarded to the Committee of Ministers;
- **Composition of the Monitoring Committee:** appointed Mr Jean-Charles Allavena (Monaco, EPP/CD), Mr Charlò Bonnici (Malta, EPP/CD) and Mr Gergely Gulyàs (Hungary, EPP/CD), on the basis of proposals submitted by the EPP/CD group, and on the basis of a proposal submitted by the ALDE Group, appointed Ms Tina Acketoft (Sweden, ALDE), subject to ratification by the Assembly;
- **Project of installation of stained glass windows in the upper part of the Assembly Chamber:** took note of the project of the Armenian government to donate stained glass windows for the windows in the Assembly Chamber;
- **Appointment of Assembly representatives for official activities:** appointed Mr Mota Amaral (Portugal, EPP/CD) to participate in the ceremony for the 2012 North-South Prize award which will take place in Lisbon on 21 May 2013;
- **Meetings elsewhere than in Strasbourg and Paris:** authorised:
 - the ad hoc Sub-Committee (of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development) to participate in the parliamentary conference on the implementation of the ONE in FIVE Campaign of the Council of Europe on 11 June 2013 in Baku;
 - the ad hoc Sub-Committee on the reform of international football (of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media) to hold a meeting on 14-15 May 2013 (date to be confirmed) in Zurich and Nyon, Switzerland;
 - the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs to meet on 30 May 2013 in Yerevan;

- **Meeting of the Bureau in Dubrovnik (2 September 2013):** took note of the practical information;

- **Next meetings:**

decided to hold the following meetings:

- Thursday 30 May 2013, Yerevan, at 3 pm;
- Monday 24 June 2013, Strasbourg, at 8 am;
- Friday 28 June 2013, Strasbourg at 8.30 am;
- Monday 2 September 2013, Dubrovnik at 9 am.

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APPENDIX 1

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE OBSERVATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN ALBANIA

COMMISSION AD HOC POUR L'OBSERVATION DES ELECTIONS LEGISLATIVES EN ALBANIE

23 June / juin 2013

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APPENDIX 2

References and transmissions to committees

A. REFERENCES TO COMMITTEES

Doc. 13148, Motion for a resolution, Protecting patients and public health against undue influence of the pharmaceutical industry, to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

Doc. 13149, Motion for a resolution, The inclusion of children's rights in national constitutions as an essential component of effective national child policies, to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

Doc. 13150, Motion for a resolution, Effectively combating the adverse consequences of dirty money, to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

Doc. 13153, Motion for a resolution, Focusing on the perpetrators to prevent violence against women, to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report*

Doc. 13164, Motion for a recommendation, The "left-to-die boat": actions and reactions, to the Committee on Migration and Displaced Persons *for report*

Doc. 13165, Motion for a recommendation, Criminalisation of irregular migrants: a crime without victim, to the Committee on Migration and Displaced Persons *for report*

Bureau decision, Activities of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report*

Bureau decision, Draft Protocol no. 16 to the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Rights, to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

Bureau decision, Modification of Article 45.7 of the Rules of Procedure on Length of mandate and non-re-eligibility of committee chairpersons, to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs *for report*

Bureau decision, Syrian refugees in Jordan, Turkey, Lebanon and Iraq, how to organise and support international assistance, to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report* and to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for opinion*

B. REQUEST TO MODIFY A REFERENCE

Doc. 12603, Motion for a resolution, Parliamentary contribution to solving the Western Sahara conflict (Ref. 3783 of 20 June 2011 to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report*), request from the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons to be referred to for opinion: *no further action*

C. REQUESTS FOR EXTENSION OF REFERENCES

Doc. 12603, Motion for a resolution, Parliamentary contribution to solving the Western Sahara conflict (Ref. 3783 of 20 June 2011 – validity: 20 June 2013): extension until 30 April 2014

Doc. 12604, Motion for a recommendation, Integration tests for migrants: a step forward or back? (Ref. 3784 of 20 June 2011 – validity: 20 June 2013): extension until 31 December 2013

Doc. 12635, Motion for a resolution, Missing persons from Europe's conflicts: the long road to finding humanitarian answers (Ref. 3786 of 24 June 2011 – validity: 24 June 2013): extension until 31 October 2013