



BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY

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29 September 2014

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 29 September 2014

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Monday 29 September 2014 in Strasbourg, with Ms Anne Brasseur, President of the Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Fourth part-session of 2014 (Strasbourg, 29 September – 3 October):**
 - i. *Requests for current affairs debate and debate under urgent procedure:*
 - designated Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) as introductory speaker for the current affairs debate on “The crisis in Ukraine” and took note that the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, Mr Thørbjørn Jagland and the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe, Mr Nils Muiznieks, would intervene during the debate;
 - decided to recommend to the Assembly to hold an urgent debate on “*Threats posed by the ‘Islamic State’ (IS) and violence against humanity*” and to refer the matter to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for report;
 - ii. updated the draft agenda;
- **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and of the Standing Committee (27 June – 29 September 2014) (Rapporteur: Mr Tiny Kox, Netherlands, UEL):** approved the progress report;
- **Election observation:**
 - i. *Turkey: presidential election (10 August 2014):* approved the final report of the ad hoc Committee, as amended;
 - ii. *Bulgaria: early parliamentary elections (5 October 2014):* took note of the press release of the pre-electoral delegation and approved the final composition of the ad hoc committee (Appendix 1);
 - iii. *Bosnia and Herzegovina: general elections (12 October 2014):* took note of the press release of the pre-electoral delegation;
 - iv. *Ukraine: early parliamentary elections (26 October 2014):* approve the composition of the ad hoc committee and appointed Mr Christopher Chope (United Kingdom, EDG) as Chairperson of the delegation (Appendix 2);
 - v. *Tunisia: parliamentary elections (26 October 2014) and presidential election (23 November 2014):* approved the composition of the ad hoc committees and appointed respectively Mr Andreas Gross (Switzerland, SOC) and Mr Jean-Marie Bockel (France, EPP/CD) as Chairpersons (Appendices 3 and 4);

- **Communication by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe:** took note of the communication;
- **Meeting of the Bureau in Brussels, 17 November 2014:** took note of the practical information;
- **Date and place of the next meeting:**
Strasbourg, Friday 3 October 2014 at 8.30 am.

Sonia Sirtori, Ivi-Triin Odrats

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Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
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Appendix 1**Ad hoc committee for the observation of the early parliamentary elections in Bulgaria (5 October 2014) – list of members****Doris FIALA (ALDE, Switzerland), Head of the delegation****Socialist Group (SOC)**

Andreas GROSS	Switzerland
Fatma PEHLIVAN	Belgium

Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD)

Jean-Marie BOCKEL	France
Elena CENTEMERO	Italy
Thomas FEIST	Germany
Aleksandar NIKOLOSKI	"The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"

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Doris FIALA*	Switzerland
Luis Alberto ORELLANA	Italy
Andrea RIGONI	Italy

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL)

Olga-Nantia VALAVANI*	Greece
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 Gaël MARTIN-MICALLEF, Administrator, Secretariat of the Venice Commission

* members of the pre-election delegation

Appendix 2

Ad hoc committee for the observation of the early parliamentary elections in Ukraine (26 October 2014) - list of members

Christopher CHOPE (EDG, United Kingdom), Head of the delegation

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Arcadio DIAZ TEJERA*, Spain
Kostas TRIANTAFYLLOS, Greece
Tadeusz IWINSKI, Poland
Aleksandrs SAKOVSKIS, Latvia
Birute VESAITE, Lithuania
Fatma PEHLIVAN, Belgium
Deniz BAYKAL, Turkey
Stefan SCHENNACH, Austria
Annalore BAERBOCK, Germany

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Lolita ČIGĀNE, Latvia
Şaban DİŞLİ*, Turkey
José Ignacio PALACIOS, Spain
François ROCHEBLOINE, France
Tobias ZECH, Germany
Emanuelis ZINGERIS, Lithuania

Substitutes

Pedro AGRAMUNT, Spain
José Maria BENEYTO, Spain
Arpine HOVHANNISYAN, Armenia
Jacques LEGENDRE, France
Zsolt NÉMETH, Hungary

European Democrat Group (EDG)

Christopher CHOPE*, United Kingdom
Sir Roger GALE, United Kingdom
Ingebjørg GODSKESEN, Norway

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Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE)

Marieluise BECK, Germany
Karl GARDASSON*, Iceland
Alfred HEER, Switzerland
Jordi XUCLÀ, Spain
Kristyna ZELIENKOVA, Czech Republic

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Substitutes

Ms Liv HOLM ANDERSEN, Denmark

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL)

Andrej HUNKO*, Germany
Nikolaj VILLUMSEN, Denmark

Co-rapporteurs (*ex officio*)

Marietta de POURBAIX-LUNDIN*, Sweden
Mailis REPS*, Estonia

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Véronique FREUND, Assistant, PACE Secretariat
Amaya UBEDA DE TORRES, Administrator, Venice Commission

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Appendix 3

Ad hoc committee for the observation of the parliamentary elections in Tunisia (26 October 2014) - list of members

Andreas GROSS (Switzerland, SOC), Head of the delegation

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Andreas GROSS, Switzerland
Carina HÄGG, Sweden
Ingrid ANTIČEVIĆ-MARINOVIĆ, Croatia

Substitutes

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Robert BIENDRON, Poland
Denis BAYKAL, Turkey
Fatma PEHLIVAN, Belgium

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Franck DAESCHLER, Principal Administrative Assistant, Interparliamentary co-operation and election observation

Appendix 4

Ad hoc committee for the observation of the presidential election in Tunisia (23 November 2014) - list of members

Jean-Marie BOCKEL (France, EPP/CD), Head of the delegation

Socialist Group (SOC)

Josette DURRIEU, France
Birute VESAITE, Lithuania
Maria GIANNAKAKI, Greece

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René ROUQUET, France
Robert BIENDRON, Poland
Carina HÄGG, Sweden
Denis BAYKAL, Turkey
Fatma PEHLIVAN, Belgium

Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD)

Jean-Marie BOCKEL, France
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