



*BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY*

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## To the Members of the Assembly

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 13 October 2017

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Friday 13 October 2017 in Strasbourg, with Ms Stella Kyriakides, President of the Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Fourth part-session of 2017 (Strasbourg, 9-13 October 2017):** approved the follow-up proposals made by the Secretary General of the Assembly to the current affairs debate as well as to texts adopted by the Assembly, as set out in Appendix 1;
- **Joint Committee (Strasbourg, 12 October 2017):** agreed on the follow-up to be given to the meeting, namely:
  - i.* as regards *the calendar for the election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe*: agreed that the current calendar should be shortened and instructed the Secretary General of the Assembly to draft a memorandum proposing changes to the Regulations, to be considered at its next meeting;
  - ii.* as regards *the follow-up to be given to Resolution 2186 (2017) on Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe*: decided to discuss the matter further and asked the President of the Assembly to liaise with the Chairman of the Committee of Ministers to this end;
- **Meetings of the Bureau and Standing Committee in Copenhagen (23-24 November 2017):** took note of the draft programme, the practical information for the meetings as well as the draft agenda of the Standing Committee;
- **First part-session of 2018 (Strasbourg, 22-26 January 2018):** drew up the preliminary draft agenda;
- **Communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe:** took note of the communication;
- **References and transmissions to committees:**
  - i.* considered and approved the references and transmissions as presented in Appendix 2, subject to ratification by the Assembly through the addendum to the Progress report;
  - ii.* and instructed the Secretary General of the Assembly to draft a memorandum on the procedure applied by the Assembly when considering motions for resolutions and recommendations and its possible improvement, to be considered at its next meeting;

- **World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 8-10 November 2017):** took note of the programme and approved the final composition of the ad hoc committee of the Bureau to participate in the Forum as set out in Appendix 3;
- **Issues raised by committees:**
  - i. *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination:* took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee on the follow-up to be given to the current affairs debate on *European values under threat: addressing rising xenophobia, antisemitism and islamophobia in Europe*;
  - ii. *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs:* took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee and decided to ask the Committee to draft a report on *Guidelines on the scope of the parliamentary immunities enjoyed by members of the Parliamentary Assembly*, subject to ratification by the Assembly through the addendum to the Progress report;
  - iii. *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy:* took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee and authorised Mr Andrea Rigoni (Italy, ALDE) to take part in meetings of the Working group on death penalty, in the Minsk region (Belarus), from 22 to 26 November 2017;
- **Composition of the Monitoring Committee, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights:**
  - i. *Monitoring Committee:* on the basis of proposal by the SOC Group, appointed Ms Thorhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland) et Ms Marietta Karamanli (France) to fill two vacant seats;
  - ii. *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs:* appointed Mr Adrien Taquet (France) for the vacant seat reserved for members not belonging to any political group;
  - iii. *Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights:* on the basis of a proposal by the SOC Group, the Bureau appointed Ms Marietta Karamanli (France); on the basis of proposals by the GUE Group, the Bureau appointed Mr Georgios Psychogios (Greece) and Mr Tiny Kox (Netherlands);
- **European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT):** took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights; took note of the situation related to the seats in respect of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Spain which would remain vacant as from 19 December 2017; and drew up the lists of candidates in respect of Malta, Turkey and the United Kingdom, to be transmitted to the Committee of Ministers;
- **Meetings elsewhere than Strasbourg and Paris:** authorised:
  - i. *the sub-committee on the Rights of Minorities of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination* to meet in Bucharest on 21 November 2017;
  - ii. *the sub-committee on external relations of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy* to meet in Geneva, Switzerland, on 27-28 November 2017;
- **Other business:**
  - i. *Non-execution of the judgment in the case of "Ilgar Mammadov v. Azerbaijan":* approved a statement as set out in Appendix 4 calling for opening the procedure foreseen under Article 46.4 of the European Convention on Human Rights as a result of the continuous non-execution by Azerbaijan of the judgment of the European Court of Human Rights in the case of *Ilgar Mammadov*;
  - ii. *Immediate Past President:* decided to ask the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs whether Rule 20.3 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure could be applied to the past Acting President;

- **Date and place of next meeting:**

Thursday, 23 November 2017, Copenhagen, 2.30 pm  
Friday, 15 December 2017, Paris, 9 am

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## Appendix 1

### Proposals for follow-up to the current affairs debate as well as to texts adopted during the fourth part-session of 2017 (Strasbourg, 9-13 October 2017)

#### Current affairs debate on *The need for a political solution to the crisis in Catalonia*

**Follow-up:** to refer the matter to the Monitoring Committee *for information*

**Resolution 2182 (2017) on *Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members*** (Rapporteur of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs: Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, United Kingdom, EC)

"8. The Assembly further decides to strengthen the duty of integrity, accountability and transparency for its members by:

[...]

8.3. adding the following sentence at the end of paragraph 14 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly: "Gift declaration forms submitted by members shall be published on the Assembly's website";

8.4. adding, after the "Rules of conduct" section in the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly, the following new section headed "Declarations of interests": "Members shall be personally responsible for submitting, at the opening of each session of the Parliamentary Assembly, a declaration of interests by means of the appropriate form. The declaration shall be published on the Assembly's website", inviting the Committee on Rules of Procedure to determine the content and format of declaratory requirements."

**Follow-up:** to ask the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs to determine the content and format of declaratory requirements (p. 8.3 and 8.4 of the Resolution).

"9. The Assembly decides to make provisions related to conflicts of interest more consistent by:

[...]

9.5. inviting the Bureau of the Assembly to amend the Guidelines on the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly with a view to harmonising them with the provisions of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly and the Code of Conduct for rapporteurs of the Parliamentary Assembly, in particular with regard to declaratory requirements and the oversight and sanction mechanism."

**Follow-up:** to ask the Secretary General of the Assembly to prepare a memorandum amending the Guidelines on the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly (p. 9.5 of the Resolution).

"11. As regards the introduction of a coherent framework to strengthen transparency in relations with extrainstitutional actors and prevent any undue influence of public or private interests on the independent, impartial and objective exercise of the parliamentary mandate in the Assembly, the Assembly decides to:

11.1. with regard to the rules on access to and movement within Council of Europe premises during Assembly sessions, instruct the Bureau of the Assembly to revise these rules and the appendices to the rules in question, in order to introduce specific identification of lobbyists, together with a system for reporting improper conduct, and, in this connection, consider establishing a register of lobbyists;"

**Follow-up:** to ask the Secretary General of the Assembly to prepare a memorandum on the revision of the rules of access to and movement within Council of Europe premises during Assembly sessions (p 11.1 of the Resolution).

"11.2. amend the special rules on honorary association with the Parliamentary Assembly by replacing the last sentence of paragraph 1 by the following: "The honorary associate will be given a diploma mentioning this title"; by deleting paragraphs 2.a and 2.b on the prerogatives of honorary associates; and by replacing paragraph 3 by the following paragraph: "When awarded the title of honorary associate, the former member of the Assembly shall sign a sworn declaration stating that he or she is not involved in representing or fostering another person's or entity's interests in the Assembly. The former member shall be stripped of the title if he or she failed to declare any relevant interests or made an untruthful declaration";

11.3. amend the special rules on the title and prerogatives of Honorary President of the Parliamentary Assembly by replacing the last sentence of paragraph 1 by the following: "The Honorary President will be given a diploma mentioning this title"; by deleting paragraphs 2.b and 2.c; and by replacing paragraph 3 by the following paragraph: "When awarded the title of Honorary President, the former President of the Assembly shall sign a sworn declaration stating that he or she is not involved in representing or fostering another person's or entity's interests in the Assembly. The Honorary President shall be stripped of the title if he or she failed to declare any relevant interests or made an untruthful declaration";

**Follow-up:** to ask the Secretary General of the Assembly to prepare a model declaration for honorary associates and Honorary Presidents of the Assembly (p. 11.2 and 11.3 of the Resolution).

"13. The Assembly takes note of the GRECO recommendation on guidance, training and awareness-raising for members with regard to the rules of conduct and invites the Committee on Rules of Procedure to foster best practice in fields such as gifts and similar benefits, members' participation in outside events, members' travel at the invitation of third parties, etc."

**Follow-up:** to ask the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs to prepare guidelines on best practices in fields such as gifts and similar benefits, members' participation in outside events, members' travel at the invitation of third parties, etc. (p. 13 of the Resolution).

"14. Lastly, the Assembly calls on the chairpersons of the political groups to strengthen the integrity frameworks of these groups and in particular to take due account of the GRECO recommendation on review of the political groups' accounting procedures and submission of annual accounts of all political groups to the External Audit."

**Follow-up:** to ask the political groups of the Assembly to follow GRECO recommendations related to them.

**Resolution 2183 (2017) on *Evaluation of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of Jordan*** (Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Ms Josette Durrieu, France, SOC)

"13. In conclusion, the Assembly resolves to continue following very closely the implementation of the reforms in Jordan and to offer the Jordanian Parliament its full assistance. It will make a new assessment of the partnership within two years of the adoption of this resolution."

**Follow-up:** to refer the matter to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report*.

**Resolution 2186 (2017) on the *Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe*** (Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Mr Michele Nicoletti, Italy, SOC)

"18. In the meantime, and as part of the preparatory work for the Summit, the Assembly resolves to continue its own reflection on its identity, role and mission as a statutory organ of the Council of Europe and a pan-European forum for inter-parliamentary dialogue which aims at having an impact in all Council of Europe member States. This reflection would also enable the Assembly to provide its own vision of the future of the Organisation."

**Follow-up:** to ask the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy to prepare a report and the Committee of Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs to prepare an opinion on the *Identity, role and mission of the Parliamentary Assembly as a statutory organ of the Council of Europe and a pan-European forum for inter-parliamentary dialogue*.

**Resolution 2188 (2017) on *New threats to the rule of law in Council of Europe member States: selected examples*** (Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights: Mr Bernd Fabritius, Germany, EPP/CD)

“10. The Assembly asks the Venice Commission for an opinion on the compatibility with the Council of Europe's standards on the rule of law of the Polish law of 12 July 2017 on the Ordinary Courts Organisation, as well as of the two draft laws recently submitted to the Sejm by the President of the Republic, on amending the law on the National Council of the Judiciary and on the Supreme Court.”

**Follow-up:** to ask the opinions from the Venice Commission as requested in paragraph 10.

## Appendix 2

### A. References and transmissions to committees

[Doc. 14353](#), motion for a resolution, The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals – how parliaments and member States of the Council of Europe can contribute: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

[Doc. 14355](#), motion for a resolution, The societal impact of the "platform economy": reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

[Doc. 14357](#), motion for a recommendation, Combating trafficking in human tissues and cells: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*

[Doc. 14358](#), motion for a resolution, For a disability-inclusive workforce: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report*

[Doc. 14360](#), motion for a recommendation, Grenfell fire tragedy and call to action: *no further action*

[Doc. 14362](#), motion for a resolution, Education geared towards pupils' needs: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for report*

[Doc. 14363](#), motion for a resolution, Stop violence and exploitation of migrant children: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report* and to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for opinion*;

[Doc. 14364](#), motion for a resolution, The implications of Brexit for migration: consultation of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *on possible follow-up*

[Doc. 14365](#), motion for a resolution, Threats to academic freedom and autonomy of universities in Europe: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for report*

[Doc. 14368](#), motion for a recommendation, Protecting human rights during transfers of prisoners: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14371](#), motion for a resolution, Out-of-court settlement procedures in criminal justice: advantages and risks: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14373](#), motion for a resolution, Ensuring greater follow-up of CPT recommendations: enhanced role of the Parliamentary Assembly and of national parliaments: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14375](#), motion for a resolution, Withdrawing citizenship as a measure to combat terrorism: an human rights-compatible approach?: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14376](#), motion for a resolution, The principles and guarantees of advocates: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14377](#), motion for a resolution, Human rights and business – what follow-up to Committee of Ministers Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)3?: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report* and to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for opinion*

[Doc. 14380](#), motion for a resolution, Defining guidelines for international NGOs: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report*

[Doc. 14381](#), motion for a resolution, Ombudsman Institutions in Europe – the need for a set of common standards: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14382](#), motion for a resolution, The continuing need to restore human rights and the rule of law in the North Caucasus region: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14389](#), request for an opinion from the Committee of Ministers, Draft Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (ETS No. 108): reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

Bureau decision, Guidelines on the scope of the parliamentary immunities enjoyed by members of the Parliamentary Assembly: reference to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs *for report*

Bureau decision, Evaluation of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of Jordan: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report*

Bureau decision, Identity, role and mission of the Parliamentary Assembly as a statutory organ of the Council of Europe and a pan-European forum for inter-parliamentary dialogue: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report* and to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs *for opinion*

Bureau decision, The need for a political solution to the crisis in Catalonia: transmission to the Monitoring Committee *for information*

#### **B. Replies after consultation**

[Doc. 14043](#), motion for a resolution, Safeguarding the fundamental rights and freedoms of the Turkish Muslim Minority in Western Thrace, Greece: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *to be taken into account in the preparation of the report on "Promoting the rights of persons belonging to national minorities"*

[Doc. 14301](#), motion for a resolution, Human rights situation in the occupied regions of Georgia: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

[Doc. 14330](#), motion for a resolution, Making sign language one of Europe's official languages: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report*

#### **C. Request to extend a reference**

[Doc. 13892](#), motion for a resolution, Gender equality and child maintenance, Ref. 1462 of 27 November 2015 – validity: 27 November 2017: extension until 31 March 2018.



Appendix 3

**Ad Hoc Committee to participate in the  
World Forum for Democracy  
on 8-10 November 2017 in Strasbourg**

**Commission ad hoc pour participer au  
Forum mondial de la démocratie  
du 8 au 10 novembre 2017 à Strasbourg**

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## Appendix 4

**PRESS RELEASE**

Communication Division

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**Call for referral of Mammadov case to the Strasbourg Court 'as soon as possible' on question of whether Azerbaijan has failed to abide by the judgment**

Strasbourg, 13.10.2017 - In view of the continuous non-execution by Azerbaijan of the judgment of the European Court of Human Rights in the case of Ilgar Mammadov vs. Azerbaijan, the Bureau of the Assembly calls on High Contracting Parties to the European Convention on Human Rights to apply, as soon as possible, the procedure foreseen under [Article 46.4 of the Convention](#).

**Le Bureau de l'APCE demande à saisir la Cour de Strasbourg 'dès que possible' de la question du respect, par l'Azerbaïdjan, de son obligation de se conformer à l'arrêt Mammadov**

Strasbourg, 13.10.2017 - Étant donné que l'Azerbaïdjan persiste à ne pas se conformer à l'arrêt rendu par la Cour européenne des droits de l'homme en l'affaire Ilgar Mammadov c. Azerbaïdjan, le Bureau de l'Assemblée appelle les Hautes Parties contractantes à la Convention européenne des droits de l'homme à appliquer, dès que possible, la procédure prévue à [l'article 46.4 de la Convention](#).

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