



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION, REFUGEES AND DEMOGRAPHY

SECRETARIAT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

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The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Demography, meeting on 24-25 January 2002, first with Mr Iwiński (Poland, SOC) and then Mrs Bušić (Croatia, EPP/CD) in the Chair:

As regards:

- *The right to family life for migrants and refugees* (Rapporteur: Mrs Aguiar, Portugal, EPP/CD): took position on seven amendments to the draft Recommendation;
 - *Vocational training of young asylum seekers in host countries* (Rapporteur: Mrs Zwerver, Netherlands, SOC): considered a preliminary draft report;
 - *Activities of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)* (Rapporteur: Mr Slutsky, Russia, SOC): considered a memorandum;
 - *Situation of deserters from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia* (Rapporteur: Mrs Zapfl-Helbling, Switzerland, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the Rapporteur and decided to refrain from preparing a report on this issue;
 - *Seminar on the repatriation and integration of the Tatars of Crimea* (Yalta, 5-6 October 2001): heard a statement from Mr Čilevičs (Latvia, SOC), Chair of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee, on the presentation of a Written Declaration;
 - *Specific situation of young migrants* (Rapporteur: Mr Yáñez-Barnuevo, Spain, SOC): considered an outline for a report;
 - *State of the world population* (Rapporteur: Mrs Lörcher, Germany, SOC): considered a memorandum;
 - *Conditions and reception capacities of asylum seekers in European seaports* (Rapporteur: Mr Gaber, Ukraine, SOC): authorised Mrs Zwerver (Netherlands, SOC), member of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee, to conduct a visit to the port of Bruges, together with Mr Gaber, on 31 January 2002, and hold an exchange of views with the representatives of the European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO) in Brussels, as well as Mr Hancock (United Kingdom, LDR) to conduct a visit to the port of Dover in February 2002;
- cc. Secretary General of the Assembly
Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
Secretaries of National Delegations to the Assembly
Secretaries of Political Groups of the Assembly
Directors
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General
Director of Communication and Research
Secretary of the Committee of Ministers
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

- *Visit to the reception centre for asylum seekers of Calais (7 March 2002)*: appointed Mr Agramunt (Spain, EPP/CD), in place of Mr Yáñez-Barnuevo, as member of the delegation, and Mr Tkác (Slovakia, EDG) as substitute;
- *Meeting of the Specialist Group on Roma/Gypsies, Strasbourg, 25-26 March 2002*: appointed Mr Tkác (Slovakia, EDG) to represent the Committee;
- *Appointment of Rapporteurs*:
 - Mr Hancock (United Kingdom, LDR) as Rapporteur on Common policy on migration and asylum (Doc. 9201);
 - Mr Kirilov (Bulgaria, SOC) as Rapporteur for opinion on the situation of refugee women of Kosovo (Doc. 8404);
- *Replies of the Committee of Ministers*: took note of the replies to the following Recommendations: 1489 (2001): Transit migration in central and eastern Europe (Doc. 9285); 1503 (2001): Health conditions of migrants and refugees in Europe (Doc. 9304); 1525 (2001): The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the 50th Anniversary of the 1951 Geneva Convention (Doc. 9292); and 1524 (2001): Council of Europe Development Bank: towards a Europe of greater social cohesion (Doc. 9322);
- *Work programme 2002*: held an exchange of views and considered a preliminary draft programme for the meeting in Lucerne on 27 May 2002;
- *Composition of the Sub-Committee on Refugees*: fixed its composition as follows:

Members

Mr	Agramunt, Chairperson	Spain
Mrs	Aguiar	Portugal
Mr	Akselsen	Norway
Mr	Akhvlediani	Georgia
Mrs	Björnemalm	Sweden
Mrs	Bušić	Croatia
Mr	Cilevičs	Latvia
Mr	Connor	Ireland
Mr	Danieli	Italy
Mr	Díaz de Mera	Spain
Mr	Dmitrijevas	Lithuania
Mr	Gadzinowski	Poland
Mr	Hancock	United Kingdom
Lord	Judd	United Kingdom
Mrs	Katseli	Greece
Mr	Kirilov	Bulgaria
Mr	Laakso	Finland
Mr	Le Guen	France
Mrs	Onur	Germany
Mr	Pullicino Orlando	Malta
Mrs	Shakhtakhtinskaya	Azerbaijan
Mr	Soendergaard	Denmark
Mrs	Stoisits	Austria
Mr	Telek	Turkey
Mrs	Vermot-Mangold	Switzerland
Mr	Zavgayev	Russia
Mrs	Zwerver	Netherlands
Mr	Iwiński, Poland, Chairman	(<i>ex officio</i>)

Alternates

Mr de Arístegui
Mr Kvakkestad
Mr Gregory
Mrs De Zulueta
Mr Yáñez-Barnuevo
Mr Kroll
Mr Wilkinson
Ms McCafferty
Mr Lintner
Mr Debono Grech
Mr Aliyev B.
Mrs Fehr
Mr Fedorov
Mrs van Ardenne - van der Hoeven

– *Composition of the Sub-Committee on Demography*: fixed its composition as follows:

Members

Alternates

Mr	Mutman, Chairperson	Turkey	
Mr	Billing	Sweden	
Mr	van den Brande	Belgium	
Mr	Brînzan	Romania	
Mr	Brunhart	Liechtenstein	
Mr	Cesário	Portugal	
Mr	Ehrmann	France	
Mr	Koulouris	Greece	
Mr	Le Guen	France	
Mr	Liapis	Greece	
Mr	Laakso	Finland	
Mrs	Lörcher	Germany	
Mr	Naro	Italy	
Mr	Popa	Romania	
Mr	Sağlam	Turkey	
Mrs	Shakhtakhtinskaya	Azerbaijan	Mr Aliyev B.
Mr	Telek	Turkey	
Mr	Tkáč	Slovakia	
Mrs	Torrado	Spain	
Mr	Wray	United Kingdom	
Mrs	Zapfl-Helbling	Switzerland	
Mr	Iwiński, Poland, Chairman (<i>ex officio</i>)		

(6 vacant seats)

– *Next meetings*: confirmed the dates and places as follows:

- Paris, 8 March 2002, Plenary Committee, followed by a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Refugees (Paris Office of the Council of Europe);
- Strasbourg, during the 2nd part of the session 2002 (22-26.4.2002);
- Lucerne, 27 May 2002 (*in the framework of the Standing Committee, 27-29 May 2002*), Plenary Committee;
- Voronej (Russia), 10-12 June 2002, Plenary Committee, Hearing on the humanitarian situation of refugees and displaced persons in CIS countries (*subject to confirmation and authorisation by the Bureau*);
- Strasbourg, during the 3rd part of the session 2002 (24-28.6.2002).

The Sub-Committee on Refugees, meeting in Strasbourg on 24 January 2002, first with Mr Iwiński (Poland, SOC) and then Mr Agramunt (Spain, EPP/CD) in the Chair:

As regards:

- *Election of the Chair*: elected Mr Agramunt (Spain, EPP/CD) as its Chair;
- left it to its Chair to fix the date and place of the next meeting.

The Sub-Committee on Demography, meeting in Strasbourg on 24-25 January 2002, with first Mr Iwiński (Poland, SOC) and then Mr Mutman (Turkey, SOC) in the Chair:

As regards:

- *Election of the Chair*: elected Mr Mutman (Turkey, SOC) as its Chair;

- *Demographic impact of immigration and the characteristics of migrant groups*: held an exchange of views with Mr Werner Haug, Chairman of the Group of Specialists on the demographic characteristics of migrant populations;
- *Recent demographic developments in Europe - 2001*: heard a statement from Mr Rickard Sandell, Secretary to the European Population Committee (CAHP) and held an exchange of views;
- left it to its Chair to fix the date and place of the next meeting.

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