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## To the members of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

### Synopsis of the meeting held by videoconference on Friday 29 May 2020

The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, meeting by videoconference on 29 May 2020, with Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Message from the President of the Parliamentary Assembly, Mr Rik Daems:** heard a message by the President of the Parliamentary Assembly, Mr Rik Daems;
- **Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated migrant children** (*Rapporteur: Ms Rósa Björk Brynjólfssdóttir, Iceland, UEL*): appointed by acclamation Ms Rósa Björk Brynjólfssdóttir (Iceland, UEL) as rapporteur and heard from her a declaration of absence of conflict of interest; considered the amendments proposed to the preliminary draft resolution; adopted a draft resolution, as amended, and postponed the vote on a preliminary draft recommendation to a future meeting;
- **Rights and obligations of NGOs assisting refugees and migrants in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Mr Domagoj Hajduković, Croatia, SOC*): considered a draft report and, lacking the quorum, postponed voting on a preliminary draft resolution and recommendation to a future meeting;
- **Consideration and approval of draft motions for a resolution:** considered and approved for tabling on behalf of the Committee the following motions for a resolution:
  - Safe third countries for asylum seekers;
  - Alternative care for unaccompanied and separated migrant children;
  - Climate and migration;
- **Appointment of rapporteurs for report:**
  - **Humanitarian consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic for migrants and refugees:** appointed by acclamation Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC) and heard from him a declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
  - **Role of parliaments in implementing the United Nations global compacts for migrants and refugees:** appointed by acclamation Mr Nicos Tornaritis (Cyprus, EPP/CD) and heard from him a declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
- **Composition of the Sub-Committees:** approved the following changes:

**Sub-Committee on Refugee and Migrant Children and Young People:**

  - Mr Tural GANJALIYEV (Azerbaijan, NR) to become a titular member;
  - Mr Frank HEINRICH (Germany, EPP/CD) to become a titular member;

- Mr Jürgen HARDT (Germany, EPP/CD) to become alternate member of Mr Michel Brandt (Germany, UEL);

**Sub-Committee on Diasporas and Integration:**

- Mr Jürgen HARDT (Germany, EPP/CD) to become a titular member;
- Mr Kamal JAFAROV (Azerbaijan, NR) to become a titular member;
- Mr Sergey KALASHNIKOV (Russian Federation, UEL) to become a titular member;
- Mr Eduard KÖCK (Austria, EPP/CD) to become a titular member;

**Sub-Committee on Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Human Beings:**

- Ms Yolaine de COURSON (France, ALDE) to become a titular member;
- Ms Nicole DURANTON (France, EPP/CD) to become a titular member and Mr Jacques LE NAY (France, ALDE) to become her alternate member;
- Ms Sabrina De Carlo (Italy, NR) to become a titular member;
- Mr Frank HEINRICH (Germany, EPP/CD) to become a titular member;
- Mr Jiří KOBZA (Czech Republic, EC/DA) to become a titular member;
- Ms Stephanie KRISPER (Austria, ALDE) to become a titular member;
- Mr Gonzalo ROBLES (Spain, EPP/CD) to become a titular member and Mr Jokin BILDARRATZ (Spain, ALDE) to become his alternate member;

- **Other business:** approved the proposal of Lord Alexander Dundee (United-Kingdom, EC/DA) to participate in a videoconference hosted by the UK Parliament in London on 19 June, on voluntary relocation of migrant children and the fight against human trafficking;
- **Next meetings:** took note of the forthcoming meetings as follows:
  - **Videoconference**, 23 June 2020;
  - **Paris**, 14 September 2020 (*tbc*);
  - **Strasbourg**, during the October part-session (12-16 October 2020);
  - **Paris**, 2 December 2020 (*tbc*).

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