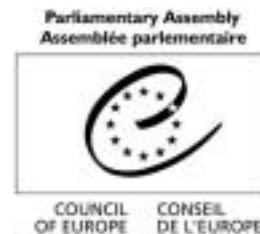


# Parliamentary Assembly Assemblée parlementaire



## FOR THE ATTENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### *Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly*

### **Synopsis N° 2005 / 15**

31 January 2005

**The Political Affairs Committee**, meeting in Strasbourg from 24 to 27 January 2005 first with Mr Wielowieyski (Poland, EPP/CD), oldest member present, and then Mr Ateş (Turkey, SOC), in the Chair:

*Elected* by acclamation:

Mr Ateş (Turkey, SOC) Chairperson,  
Mr Margelov (Russian Federation, EDG) First Vice-Chairperson,  
Mr Toshev (Bulgaria, EPP) Second Vice-Chairperson,  
Mr Marty (Switzerland, LDR), Third Vice-Chairperson;

and paid tribute to its out-going Chairman, Mr Jakič (Slovenia, LDR);

*as regards:*

- ***Prospects for peace in the Middle East*** (Rapporteur: Mr Margelov, Russian Federation, EDG): held an exchange of views with the participation of Messrs Cohen, Eitan, Lapid and Shtern, members of the Israeli observer delegation, and of Mr Abu-Zayyad, member of the Palestinian Legislative Council, adopted a draft Resolution for the debate under urgent procedure, and took position on amendments tabled;
- ***Draft Convention on the prevention of terrorism*** (Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Mercan, Turkey, EPP/CD): adopted an Opinion on the draft Opinion tabled by the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights, as amended;
- ***The conflict over the Nagorno-Karabakh region dealt with by the OSCE Minsk Conference*** (Rapporteur: Mr Atkinson, United Kingdom, EDG): took position on amendments tabled;
- ***The Third Summit*** (Rapporteur: Mr Kosachev, Russian Federation, EDG): took position on amendments tabled;

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Secretaries of Political Groups of the Assembly  
Special Guests and Observers to the Assembly

Directors General  
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe  
Secretary of the Committee of Ministers  
Director of Communication and Research

Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

- **Relations between Europe and the United States** (Rapporteur: Mr Azzolini, Italy, EPP/CD): took note that no amendments were tabled, and prepared the debate in the Assembly;
- **Sub-Committees**: reconstituted its Sub-Committee on External Relations, Sub-Committee on the Middle East, Sub-Committee on Belarus and *Ad Hoc* Sub-Committee for the organisation of the Round Table on the political situation in the Chechen Republic, as appears in the Appendix;
- **Appointment of rapporteurs**:
  - *The concept of preventive war and its consequences for international relations*: Mr Mercan (Turkey, EPP/CD);
- **Nomination of representatives**: decided to suggest to the Bureau appointing the following representatives:
  - *Council of Democratic Elections (Venice Commission)*: Mrs Durrieu (France, SOC);
  - *European Committee against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)*: Mrs de Zulueta (Italy, SOC);
- **Next meetings**:

*Plenary Committee*

  - Warsaw (Poland), 28 February (Symposium on Strengthening Democracy in Europe) and 1 March 2005;
  - Paris, 5 April 2005;
  - Strasbourg, 2<sup>nd</sup> part-session 2005 (25 - 29 April 2005);
  - Baku (Azerbaijan), 4 July 2005 (subject to authorisation by the Bureau).

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**The Sub-Committee on External Relations**, (of the Political Affairs Committee) meeting in Strasbourg on 25 January 2005, first with Mr Dreyfus-Schmidt (France, SOC), oldest member present, and then Mr Severin (Romania, SOC) in the Chair:

- *re-elected* by acclamation Mr Severin (Romania, SOC) Chairperson;
- *re-elected* by acclamation Mr Atkinson (United Kingdom, EDG) Vice-Chairperson;

*as regards*:

- **Future activities**: took note of a statement by the Chair and held an exchange of views on its future work;
- **Belarus**: took note of the invitation to its members to attend the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Belarus (27 January 2005);
- **Date and place of the next meeting**: left it to the Chair to convene the next meeting.

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**The Sub-Committee on the Middle East** (of the Political Affairs Committee), meeting in Strasbourg on 25 January 2005 first with Lord Judd (United Kingdom, SOC), oldest member present, and then Mr Mollazade (Azerbaijan, LDR) in the Chair:

- *elected* Mr Mollazade (Azerbaijan, LDR) Chairperson;
- *elected* by acclamation Mr Brincat (Malta, SOC) Vice-Chairperson;
- **Future activities:** took note of a statement by the Chair
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** left it to the Chair to convene the next meeting.

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**The Sub-Committee on Belarus** (of the Political Affairs Committee), meeting in Strasbourg on 25 and 27 January 2005, first with Mr Elo (Finland, SOC), oldest member present, and then Mr Herkel (Estonia, EPP/CD) in the Chair:

- *elected* by acclamation Mr Herkel (Estonia, EPP/CD) Chairperson;
- *elected* by acclamation Mrs Wohlwend (Liechtenstein, EPP/CD) Vice-Chairperson;
- held an exchange of views with Mr Severin (Romania, SOC), in his capacity as Special Rapporteur on Belarus of UN Commission on Human Rights;
- considered the memorandum prepared by Mr Čekuolis (Lithuania, LDR), outgoing Chairperson of the Sub-Committee; endorsed proposed action concerning Belarus, and requested its Chair to send these proposals to the Political Affairs Committee, the President of the Assembly and the Political Groups;
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** left it to the Chair to convene the next meeting.

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**The Ad Hoc Sub-Committee for the organisation of the Round Table on the political situation in the Chechen Republic** (of the Political Affairs Committee), meeting in Strasbourg on 22 January 2005 with Mr Gross (Switzerland, SOC) in the Chair:

*as regards:*

- **Organisation of the Round Table:**
- decided to hold the Round Table in Moscow in co-operation with the Russian Federation's delegation,
- considered three alternative dates the 3, 11 and 21 March 2005, and left the final decision to the Chair subject to the availability of premises in Moscow,
- agreed on a list of possible themes for the Round Table debate and on persons to be invited to the Round Table;
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** decided to hold its next meeting on the occasion of the Round Table.

Barış Perin, Agnieszka Nachilo, Pavel Chevtchenko, Rüdiger Dossow

**Appendix: Composition of Sub-Committees**

28 January 2005  
List of members ME –

**Sub-Committee on the Middle East / *Sous-commission sur le Proche-Orient***  
*28 seats / 28 sièges*

**LIST OF MEMBERS/LISTE DES MEMBRES**

***Chairman / Président***

Mr MOLLAZADE Azerbaijan/Azerbaïdjan Mr SEYIDOV

***Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président(e)***

Mr BRINCAT Malta / Malte

***Members / Membres***

Mr AGRAMUNT Spain/Espagne  
Mr AVDIĆ Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Mr AZZOLINI Italy / Italie  
Mr BERCEANU Romania  
Mr POURGOURIDES Cyprus/Chypre  
Mr DAVERN Ireland / Irlande  
Mr DUIVESTEIJN Netherlands / Pays-Bas  
Ms DURRIEU France  
Mr ELO Finland/Finlande  
Mr GARDETTO Monaco  
Mr GORIS Belgium / Belgique  
Mr HÖRSTER Germany/Allemagne  
Lord JUDD United Kingdom  
Mr LINDBLAD Sweden/Suède  
Mr MARGELOV Russia / Russie  
Mr MARKOWSKI Poland/Pologne  
Mr MIHKELSON Estonia/Estonie  
Mrs NĚMCOVÁ Czech Republic / Rép. Tchèque  
Mr PANGALOS Greece/Grèce  
Mr REIMANN Switzerland / Suisse  
Mr TEKELIOĞLU Turkey/Turquie  
Mr TOSHEV Bulgaria/Bulgarie  
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***Alternates / Remplaçants***

Mrs ABURTO  
Mr JAHIĆ  
Mr PROVERA  
  
Mr BREEN  
  
Mr ROCHEBLOINE  
  
Mr HEDRICH  
Lord KILCLOONEY  
Mr SAHLBERG  
Mr SLUTSKY  
Mr IWINSKI  
  
Mr VRETTOS  
Mrs VERMOT

Ex-officio : Mr ATEŞ

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**Sub-Committee on External Relations / Sous-commission des relations extérieures**  
28 seats / 28 sièges

**LIST OF MEMBERS / LISTE DES MEMBRES**

**Chairperson / Présidente**

Mr SEVERIN Romania / Roumanie

**Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président(e)**

Mr ATKINSON United Kingdom/Royaume-Uni Lord KILCLOONEY

**Members / Membres**

**Alternates / Remplaçants**

Mrs AGUIAR	Portugal	
Mr BENES	Czech Republic / Rép. Tchèque	Ms CURDOVA
Mr BOKERIA	Georgia / Géorgie	
Mr BREEN	Ireland / Irlande	Mr DAVERN
Mr van den BRANDE	Belgium / Belgique	
Mr BRINCAT	Malta / Malte	
Mr CHRISTODOULIDES	Cyprus / Chypre	Mr POURGOURIDES
Mr DREYFUSS-SCHMIDT	France	Ms DURRIEU
Mr GARDETTO	Monaco	Mr MARQUET
Mr GOERENS	Luxembourg	
Mr GROSS	Switzerland / Suisse	Mr MARTY
Mr IWINSKI	Poland / Pologne	Mr MARKOWSKI
Mr KIRILOV	Bulgaria / Bulgarie	Mr LOUTFI
Mr LAUKKANEN	Finland / Finlande	
Mr MARGELOV	Russia / Russie	Mr DZHABRAILOV
Mr MEIMARAKIS	Greece / Grèce	Mrs PAPADIMITRIOU
Mr MERCAN	Turkey / Turquie	
Mr de PUIG	Spain/Espagne	M. PUCHE
Mr SAHLBERG	Sweden/Suède	Mrs OHLSSON
Mr SCHIEDER	Austria / Autriche	Mr SPINDELEGGER
Ms SEVERINSEN	Denmark / Danemark	
Mr SEYIDOV	Azerbaijan / Azerbaïdjan	
Mr TIMMERMANS	Netherlands / Pays-Bas	
Mr TOROSYAN	Armenia / Arménie	Mr ARSENYAN
Mrs TRITZ	Germany / Allemagne	
Mrs de ZULUETA	Italy / Italie	Mr ZACCHERA

Ex-officio : Mr ATEŞ

**Sub-Committee on Belarus / Sous-commission sur le Bélarus**

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**LIST OF MEMBERS/LISTE DES MEMBRES**

**Chairman / Président**

Mr HERKEL Andres Estonia/Estonie

**Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président/e**

Mrs WOHLWEND Renate Liechtenstein

**Members / Membres**

Mr BLANKENBORG Norway/Norvège  
Mr BOKERIA Georgia  
Mr CEKUOLIS Lithuania / Lituanie  
Mr CHRISTODOULIDES Cyprus/Chypre  
Mr ELO Finland/Finlande  
Mr HENRY Belgium / Belgique  
Mr KIRILOV Bulgaria/Bulgarie  
Ms KONECNA Czech Republic/République tchèque  
Mr LONCLE France  
Mr LLOYD United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni  
Mr MARTY Switzerland / Suisse  
Mr MERCAN Turkey/ Turquie  
Mr MOLLAZADE Azerbaijan/Azerbaïdjan  
Mrs OHLSSON Sweden / Suède  
Mr PADILLA Spain / Espagne  
Mr PROVERA Italy / Italie  
Mr TOROSYAN Armenia / Arménie  
Mr Van WINSEN Netherlands / Pays-Bas  
Mr ZYUGANOV Russia / Russie

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**Alternates / Remplaçants**

Mr PALECKIS  
Mr van OVERMEIRE  
Mr LOUTFI  
Mr PRENTICE  
Mr GROSS  
Mr CURIEL  
Mr ARSENYAN  
Mr TIMMERMANS  
Mr KOLESNIKOV

Ex-officio : Mr ATEŞ

22 January 2005  
List of members CR

**AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE ORGANISATION OF THE  
ROUND TABLE ON THE POLITICAL SITUATION  
IN THE CHECHEN REPUBLIC**

**SOUS-COMMISSION AD HOC POUR L'ORGANISATION D'UNE  
TABLE RONDE SUR LA SITUATION POLITIQUE  
EN REPUBLIQUE TCHETCHENE**

***LIST OF MEMBERS / LISTE DES MEMBRES***

**Chairperson / Président**

Mr GROSS Switzerland

**Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président**

Mr KOSACHEV Russian Federation

**Members / Membres**

Mr ATEŞ	Turkey
Mr BINDIG	Germany
Mr BLANKENBORG	Norway
Mr van den BRANDE	Belgium
Mr BRINCAT	Malta
Mr DZHABRAILOV	Russian Federation
Mr ELO	Finland
Mr GOERENS	Luxembourg
Mr GOULET	France
Mr IWINSKI	Poland
Lord JUDD	United Kingdom
Mr KOLESNIKOV	Russian Federation
Mr LINDBLAD	Sweden
Mr MIHKELSON	Estonia
Mr MOLLAZADE	Azerbaijan
Mr SEVERIN	Romania
Mr SLUTSKY	Russian Federation
Mr TIMMERMANS	Netherlands
Ms de ZULUETA	Italy