



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE, IMMUNITIES AND INSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

SECRETARIAT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Synopsis

12 January 2011

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Paris on 11 January 2011 with Mr Vareikis (Lithuania, EPP/CD), first Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Self-evaluation by Europe's national parliaments: procedural guidelines to improve the quality of parliamentary work** (*rapporteur: Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC*): considered a draft report and, following an exchange of views, asked the rapporteur to present a revised draft report at a next meeting, and asked its Chairperson to request the Bureau to extend the mandate of the Committee until 30 June 2011;
- **Fair representation of political parties or groups in the parliaments of member states in the national delegations to the Parliamentary Assembly** (*rapporteur: Mr Kox, Netherlands, UEL*): considered and approved a report, adopted unanimously a draft resolution and asked the rapporteur to present them at the next meeting of the Standing Committee (Paris, 11 March 2011);
- **Follow-up to the reform of the Council of Europe**: appointed Mr Chope (United Kingdom, EDG) rapporteur for opinion, considered the report presented by the Political Affairs Committee and heard a presentation of the report by Mr Mignon, rapporteur of the Political Affairs Committee, and, following an exchange of views, asked the rapporteur for opinion to present a draft opinion at the next meeting with a view to adopting it;
- **Participation of members in Parliamentary Assembly plenary sessions and Committee meetings**: held an exchange of views following the statement by the Director of General Services of the Assembly based on an information memorandum prepared by the secretariat and decided to resume consideration at the next meeting with a view to formulating proposals for the attention of the Bureau of the Parliamentary Assembly;
- **Code of conduct for rapporteurs of the Parliamentary Assembly** (*rapporteur: Mr Mignon, France, EPP/CD*): considered and approved a report, adopted unanimously a draft resolution and asked the rapporteur to present them at the next meeting of the Standing Committee (Paris, 11 March 2011);
- **Appointment of rapporteurs:**
 - . *Harmonisation of regulatory and para-regulatory provisions of monitoring and post-monitoring dialogue procedures*: Mr Agramunt Font de Mora (Spain, EPP/CD);
 - . *Composition of observer delegations and participation to Assembly work*: Mr Vareikis (Lithuania, EPP/CD);
 - . *The rule of law in Council of Europe member states: upholding the authority of the Parliamentary Assembly's recommendations*: Mr Kox (Netherlands, UEL);
- **Work programme of the Committee for 2011**: took note of the work programme;

- ***Next meeting:***

. in Strasbourg, during the Assembly 1st part-session (24 – 28 January 2011) (Monday 24 January 2011 at 2 pm).

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cc. Secretary General of the Assembly

Director General, Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly

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