



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

SECRETARIAT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Synopsis

28 June 2012

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Strasbourg on 27 June 2012 with first Mr Arcadio Díaz Tejera (Spain, SOC), second Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, and then Mr Oliver Heald (United Kingdom, EDG), first Vice-Chairperson, as regards:

- **Code of conduct of members of the Parliamentary Assembly: good practice or a core duty?** (*rapporteur: Mr Oliver Heald, United Kingdom, EDG*): considered a draft report, unanimously adopted a draft resolution, including a code of conduct for members of the Parliamentary Assembly, and instructed its rapporteur to present them at the fourth part-session 2012 of the Assembly;
- **Request for the waiver of the parliamentary immunity of Mr Dick Marty:**
 - . took note of the request for the waiver of the parliamentary immunity of Mr Dick Marty, former member and rapporteur of the Assembly, issued by the District Court of Priština and transmitted to the President of the Parliamentary Assembly by the European Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX);
 - . unanimously approved an opinion to the President of the Assembly, concluding that Mr Marty enjoys the immunity guaranteed by Article 14 of the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe, that this immunity is absolute and permanent in nature and applies to all judicial proceedings, and that, according to Rule 66 of its Rules of Procedure, the Assembly does not have the authority to lift this immunity;
- **Administrative and financial matters:**
 - . heard a statement by the Chairman of the Staff Committee of the Council of Europe, Mr Giovanni Palmieri;
 - . considered and unanimously approved a communication to the Bureau of the Assembly on the analysis of the use made by the Assembly's political groups of their allocations for 2011 [*Rapporteur: Mr Rudy Salles (France, EPP/CD)*];
- **The discipline of the members of the Parliamentary Assembly:** appointed Mr Heald (United Kingdom, EDG) rapporteur;
- took note of its work programme;
- **Next meeting:**
 - . in Strasbourg, during the 4th part-session of the Assembly (1 – 5 October 2012).

Valérie Clamer, Kateryna Gayevska

- cc. Secretary General of the Assembly
 - Director General, Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
 - Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly
 - Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations
 - Secretary General of the Congress
 - Secretary to the Committee of Ministers
 - Directors General
 - Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
 - Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
 - Director of Communication
 - Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe