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## To the members of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 24 and 26 June 2014

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Strasbourg on 24 and 26 June 2014, with Ms Nataša Vučković (Serbia, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Evaluation of the implementation of the reform of the Parliamentary Assembly** (rapporteur: Ms Lilianna Palihovici, Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD): took position on the six amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
- **Deprivation or suspension of the rights of participation or representation of Assembly members in the context of a challenge or reconsideration of the credentials of a delegation under Rules 7, 8 and 9 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure**: following the request of the Bureau of the Assembly for a committee opinion, held an exchange of views on the basis of a draft opinion, and decided to resume consideration of the matter at its next meeting, in the light of comments to be sent by members to the secretariat by 1 September 2014;
- **Implementation by the Council of Europe member states of the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe**: following the request of the Bureau of the Assembly for a committee opinion (related to the case of Mr René Rouquet), held an exchange of views and asked its Chairperson to inform the Bureau that the answers to questions related to the implementation by member states of the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe can be found in the previous opinion that the committee sent to the Bureau in November 2013 in a substantially equivalent case (case of Mr Vassiliy Likhachev);
- **The post-electoral shifting in members' political affiliation and its repercussion on the composition of a national delegation** (rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE): heard a statement by the rapporteur and took note of his proposal to send a questionnaire to the political groups of the Assembly;
- **Introduction of sanctions against parliamentarians**: appointed Mr Díaz Tejera (Spain, SOC) rapporteur and heard from him a declaration on the absence of any conflict of interest;
- **Hearing on the prevention and eradication of corruption within the judiciary** (Helsinki, 27 May 2014, in the framework of the participation of an ad hoc sub-committee in the meeting of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights): took note of the report of the hearing;
- **Seminar "Code of conduct for parliamentarians and the prevention of corruption"** (Rome, 1 July 2014, in the framework of the participation of an ad hoc sub-committee): took note of the draft programme;

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- ***Europe's public administrations in flux: public service under threat?*** (*rapporteur: Mr Tiny Kox, Netherlands, UEL*): took note that no amendments have been tabled to the draft resolution and draft recommendation;
- ***Reporting on corruption: journalists and parliamentarians investigating together***: held a hearing, jointly with the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, with the participation of:
  - Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
  - Mr Claudio Fava, journalist, Member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Vice-President of the Commission of inquiry into the phenomenon of the Mafia and other criminal organisations
  - Mr Tamás Bodoky, journalist, member of the “Organised crime and corruption reporting project”;
- ***Next meeting:***
  - . in Strasbourg, during the Assembly’s 4<sup>th</sup> part-session of 2014 (29 September – 3 October 2014).

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