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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, 25 and 26 January 2017

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Strasbourg on 24, 25 and 26 January 2017, with first Sir Roger Gale (United Kingdom, EC), senior member present, and then Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- on Tuesday 24 January 2017 at 9.15 a.m., as regards:
 - **Composition of the Bureau of the Committee:**
 - . reelected Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC) Chairperson,
 - . reelected Ms Liliانا Palihovici (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD) 1st Vice-Chairperson,
 - . reelected Mr Şaban Dişli (Turkey, EPP/CD) 2nd Vice-Chairperson,
 - . elected Mr Tiny Kox (Netherlands, UEL) 3rd Vice-Chairperson;
 - **Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of the Slovak Republic:** heard Mr Robert Madej, Chairperson of the parliamentary delegation of the Slovak republic, held an exchange of views, appointed Mr Jordi Xuclà (Spain, ALDE) rapporteur and heard from him a declaration of absence of any conflict of interest, approved a report and adopted unanimously a draft resolution;
- on Wednesday 25 January 2017 at 2 p.m., as regards:
 - **Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members** (Rapporteur: Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, United Kingdom, EC):
 - . heard a statement by the rapporteur,
 - . held an exchange of views with Mr Gianluca Esposito, Executive Secretary of the Group of States against corruption (GRECO),
 - . took note of letters from several national delegations to the Assembly and some international non-governmental organisations working to protect human rights and combat corruption,
 - . decided to request the GRECO to review the Assembly ethical framework, in particular the rules governing lobbying, and assess the code of conduct of Assembly members, in particular the enforcement mechanisms and sanctions;
 - **Defending the acquis of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental co-operation** (Rapporteur: Mr Tiny Kox, Netherlands, UEL): heard a statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Kyiv (Ukraine) from 10 to 12 January 2017 and took note of an information memorandum;

- **Participation of members in Parliamentary Assembly plenary sessions and committee meetings:** heard a presentation by the Director for General Services of the Assembly, considered an information memorandum and approved proposals to the Bureau of the Assembly;
- **on Thursday 26 January 2017 at 8.30 a.m.**, as regards:
 - **Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of the Slovak Republic** (*Rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE*): took position on the amendment tabled to the draft resolution;
 - **Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members** (*Rapporteur: Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, United Kingdom, EC*): considered and approved unanimously, as amended, a statement on allegations of corruption and fostering of interests made against some members or former members of the Assembly, and decided to continue the discussion at its next meeting;
 - **Reconstitution of the sub-committee on ethics:** reconstituted the sub-committee (see list of members contained in the appendix);
 - **Appointment of a rapporteur:** appointed Mr George Loucaides (Cyprus, UEL) rapporteur on the budgets and priorities of the Council of Europe for the biennium 2018-2019 and on the expenditure of the Parliamentary Assembly for the biennium 2018-2019, and decided to hold an exchange of views on the budgetary prospects of the Organisation with the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe at its next meeting;
 - **Next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
 - . in Paris (Office of the Council of Europe), 13 March 2017, at 9.30 am
 - . in Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 2nd part-session (24-28 April 2017)

Valérie Clamer, Kateryna Gayevska

cc. Secretary General of the Assembly
 Director General, Director 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
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 Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

Sub-Committee on ethics / *Sous-commission sur la déontologie*

List of members / *Liste des membres*

13 seats / *13 sièges*

Members / *membres* :

Ms/Mme	BRASSEUR Anne	Luxembourg	Immediate past President of the Assembly / <i>Présidente sortante de l'Assemblée</i>
Mr/M.	FISCHER Axel	Germany / <i>Allemagne</i>	Chairperson EPP/CD <i>Président PPE/DC</i>
Mr/M.	GALE Roger	United Kingdom / <i>Royaume-Uni</i>	EC / <i>CE</i>
Mr/M.	KIRAL Serhii	Ukraine	EC / <i>CE</i>
Mr/M.	KOX Tiny	Netherlands / <i>Pays-Bas</i>	Chairperson UEL <i>Président GUE</i>
Mr/M.	NICOLETTI Michele	Italy / <i>Italie</i>	Chairperson SOC <i>Président SOC</i>
Ms/Mme	PALHOVICI Liliana	Republic of Moldova / <i>République de Moldova</i>	EPP/CD / <i>PPE/DC</i>
Ms/Mme	SUTTER (De) Petra	Belgium / <i>Belgique</i>	SOC
Mr/M.	WADEPHUL Johann	Germany / <i>Allemagne</i>	EPP/CD / <i>PPE/DC</i>

Ex officio member / *membre de droit* :

Ms/Mme	MAURY PASQUIER Liliane (Switzerland / <i>Suisse</i> , SOC), Présidente de la commission du Règlement, des immunités et des affaires institutionnelles		
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