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

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 9 March 2018

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Paris on 9 March 2018, at 9.30 am, with Ms Petra De Sutter (Belgium, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Modification of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure with a view to removing Turkish from the list of working languages of the Assembly** (*Rapporteur: Ms Petra De Sutter, Belgium, SOC*): approved a report and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation, as amended, took note of the intention of Mr Şaban Dişli (Turkey, EPP/CD) to submit a dissenting opinion and decided that it would be appended to the report as an appendix, decided to change the title of the report to "Modification of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure: the impact of the budgetary crisis on the list of working languages of the Assembly", for consideration by the Standing Committee at its next meeting (Paris, 16 March 2018);
- **Guidelines on the scope of the parliamentary immunities enjoyed by members of the Parliamentary Assembly** (*Rapporteur: Mr Mart van de Ven, Netherlands, ALDE*): heard a presentation by Mr Yves Marie Doublet, Expert for the Group of States against corruption (GRECO) and the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission), Deputy Director of the General Secretariat of the French National Assembly, and held an exchange of views;
- **Recommendation 2114 (2017) on "Defending the acquis of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental co-operation"** (*Rapporteur: Mr Tiny Kox, Netherlands, UEL*): took note of the Committee of Ministers' reply and invited its Chairperson to write to the Chairperson of the Ministers' Deputies to inform him of the committee's disappointment regarding the brevity and content of the reply and to propose to continue the dialogue on the issues raised in the Recommendation;
- **Sub-committee on ethics**: decided to review the terms of reference of the sub-committee at its next meeting and, in the meantime, to defer consideration of any changes in its composition;
- **Next meeting**: decided to meet in Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 2<sup>nd</sup> part-session (23-27 April 2018).

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Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly  
Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations

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