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To the members of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg from 30 September to 3 October 2013

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting in Paris with Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Monday, 30 September 2013 at 2 pm:**
 - ***The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2012-2013*** (Rapporteur: Mr Valeriu Ghiletschi, Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD): considered and approved a draft opinion;
 - ***Children's right to physical integrity*** (Rapporteur: Ms Marlene Rupprecht, Germany, SOC): decided to table an amendment suggested by the rapporteur, unanimously approved, on behalf of the Committee;
 - ***Ensuring children with attention problems are properly cared for*** (Rapporteur: Ms Silvia Eloïsa Bonet Perot, Andorra, SOC): considered an outline report;
- **Tuesday, 1st October 2013 at 8.30 am, as regards:**
 - ***Good governance of large metropolises*** (Rapporteur: Mr Jeffrey Donaldson, United Kingdom, EDG): considered a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution, with a view to debate in the November 2013 Standing Committee meeting;
 - ***Children's right to physical integrity*** (Rapporteur: Ms Marlene Rupprecht, Germany, SOC): took position on the amendments tabled;
 - ***Consideration of draft motions for a resolution/recommendation with a view to adoption by the Committee for tabling***: approved the following texts to be tabled on behalf of the Committee:
 - "Road safety in Europe as a public health priority" and
 - "Involuntary placement and treatment of people with psychosocial disability: need for a new paradigm";
 - ***Ad hoc Sub-Committee to participate in the parliamentary Conference on the implementation of the ONE in FIVE Campaign of the Council of Europe in Baku (Azerbaijan), 11 June 2013***: heard an oral report by Mr Ghiletschi, Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Sub-Committee, and took note of the draft minutes;
 - ***Parliamentary seminar on "Improving employment conditions of young workers (under the age of 18)", 18 October 2013, Paris***: was informed on the preparation of the seminar;
 - ***World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg, 27-29 November 2013***: took note of the information concerning the Forum ;

– **Committee’s work programme and priorities:**

- *appointed the following rapporteur:*

. Equality and the crisis: Mr Igor Kolman, (Croatia, ALDE), for opinion;

and heard a declaration of non-conflict of interests;

- *appointed its representatives to the following external events:*

. Regional Conference “Council of Europe Convention on the counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes involving threats to public health (MEDICRIME Convention)”, Madrid, 21-22 November 2013: Mr Jim Dobbin (United Kingdom, SOC) (*subject to the availability of funds*);

. Lanzarote Committee, Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe Convention on the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (T-ES), Madrid, 2 December 2013: Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD) (*subject to the availability of funds*);

. Conference on “Preventing sexual abuse of children”, Madrid, 3-4 December 2013: Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD) (*subject to the availability of funds*);

- *Representation of the Committee to external meetings:* heard an oral report from:

. Mr Jim Dobbin (United Kingdom, SOC) on the Regional conference “Council of Europe Convention on the counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes involving threats to public health (MEDICRIME Convention)”, Kyiv, 11-12 June 2013;

. Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) who took part in the European Parliamentary Assembly Technology Assessment (EPTA) Council Meeting and Seminar “The Arctic Boom”, Kittilä, Lapland (Finland), 22-24 September 2013;

. Ms Carina Ohlsson (Sweden, SOC) who took part in the 26th session of the European Committee for Social Cohesion (CDCS), Strasbourg, 25-27 September 2013;

- validated changes in the Sub-Committees as follows:

For the Belgium delegation:

Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter

Mr Patrick De Groote becomes the alternate to Mr Roel Deseyn (following the departure of Mr Danny Pieters).

Sub-Committee on Environment and Energy

Mr Patrick De Groote becomes the alternate to Mr Philippe Blanchart (following the departure of Mr Danny Pieters).

For the French delegation:

Sub-Committee on Public Health

Mr André Reichardt becomes a full member (following the death of Mr Jean-Louis Lorrain) and Mr Gérard Bapt stays as alternate.

For the Greek delegation:

Sub-Committee on Public Health

Ms Eleni Rapti becomes a full member (following the departure of Mr Militiadis Varvitsiotis) and Mr Konstantinos Tzavaras becomes an alternate.

Sub-Committee on Environment and Energy

Mr Militiadis Varvitsiotis, the alternate of Mr Dimitrios Papadimoulis, has left the Greek delegation and the Sub-Committee on Environment and Energy. Mr Dimitrios Papadimoulis stays as a full member.

For the Netherlands delegation:

Sub-Committee on Public Health

Ms Ankie Broekers-Knol has left the Assembly, and consequently Mr Khadija Arib stays as full member and there is no alternate.

Sub-Committee on Environment and Energy

Mr Joris Backer replaces Ms Ankie Broekers-Knol as full member. There is no alternate.

- **Tuesday, 1st October 2013 at 2 pm**, as regards:
 - **15th meeting of the Network of Contact Parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children** : held an exchange of views on “Monitoring the fight against sexual violence against children at European and national levels” with the participation of :
 - Mr Eric Ruelle, Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee, and
 - Ms Doris Fiala, Contact Parliamentarian for Switzerland;

and heard a report by Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragnoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe;

- **Wednesday, 2 October 2013 at 2 pm**, as regards:

The meeting continued under the Chairmanship of Mr Igor Kolman (Croatia, ALDE), the third Vice-President, as regards:

- **Draft Council of Europe Convention against Trafficking in Human Organs** (*Rapporteur: Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, Switzerland, SOC*): considered a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft opinion with a view to debate at the November 2013 Standing Committee meeting;
- **Optimum care for women with breast cancer** (*Rapporteur : Ms Stella Kyriakides, Cyprus, EPP/CD*): held an exchange of views with Ms Susan Knox, Executive Director, EUROPA DONNA, The European Breast Cancer Coalition on the basis of an outline report;
- **Kyoto Climate Change Protocol** (*Rapporteur: Lord Prescott, United Kingdom, SOC*): considered an introductory memorandum;

- **Thursday, 3 October 2013 at 8.30 am**, as regards:

- **Food security – a permanent challenge for us all** (*Rapporteur: Mr Fernand Boden, Luxembourg, EPP/CD*): took position on the amendments tabled;
- **Activities of the Council of Europe Development Bank** (*Rapporteur: M. Tuur Elzinga, Pays-Bas, UEL*) : considered an outline report and modified the title of the report as follows “Challenges for the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB)”;

– **Committee’s work programme and priorities:**

appointed the following representatives to the external events:

. Round table on nuclear energy and environmental safety, Moscow, 30-31 October 2013: Ms Doris Barnett (Germany, SOC) and Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) (*at no cost to the Assembly*);

. 7th meeting of the Executive Council of the North-South Centre, Lisbon, 6 November 2013, and the Lisbon Forum 2013, 6-7 November 2013; Ms Maryvonne Blondin (France, SOC) (*subject to the availability of funds*) and Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Suisse, SOC) (*at no cost to the Assembly*);

. Warsaw Conference on Climate Change, Warsaw (Poland), on 11-22 November 2013 [Participation limited to 2 days]: Lord John Prescott (United Kingdom, SOC) (*subject to the availability of funds*) and Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) (*at no cost to the Assembly*);

– **Transmission of motions for consultation on the follow-up to be given:** considered the motion entitled “Combat “Down-syndromecide” and decided to propose, to the Bureau, that this motion must not be transmitted to it for report;

– **Transmission of motions for information:** took note of the following motions:

. Expected humanitarian catastrophe caused by the dangerous condition of the Sarsang water reservoir in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan;

. Enhanced co-operation between the Parliamentary Assembly and the World Health Organisation;

. Gold mining projects – a danger to human rights, the rule of law and ecological integrity;

– **Date and place of next meetings:**

Plenary committee:

- Tuesday, 12 November 2013 and Wednesday, 13 November 2013, Geneva;
- First part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 27-31 January 2014, Strasbourg;
- Friday, 14 March 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Second part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 7-11 April 2014, Strasbourg;
- May 2014 (*Date and place to be determined*);
- Third part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 23-27 June 2014, Strasbourg;
- Wednesday, 10 September 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Fourth part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 29 September – 3 October 2014, Strasbourg;
- Monday, 1st December 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Tuesday, 2 December 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office), joint meeting with the Committee on equality and non-discrimination (*to be confirmed*);

Extraordinary meeting of the PACE network of contact parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children on “Taking the fight against sexual violence against children to the world – Sharing the European experience”:

- Wednesday, 13 November 2013, Geneva;

Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter:

- Friday, 18 October 2013, Paris (Council of Europe office).

Tanja Kleinsorge, Aiste Ramanauskaite, Maren Lambrecht-Feigl, Ayşegül Elveriş

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