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

Synopsis of the meeting held in GIRONA (Spain) on 8 July 2016

The Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize (of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development), meeting in Girona (Spain) with Mr Jean-Claude Frécon (France, SOC), Chairperson, in the Chair:

- approved the revised proposals on the modernisation of the Europe Prize with a view to approval by the Plenary Committee at its meeting on 21 September 2016, and information of the Assembly via the progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly during the October 2016 part-session, in time for the decisions to come into force for the 2017 edition of the Europe Prize;
- participated in the official presentation ceremony of the Europe Prize 2016 to the town of Girona, in the presence of local and regional authorities, local associations, youth and the local population, and heard statements by:
 - Ms Stéphanie Guiraud-Chaumeil, Mayor of Albi (France), twin town of Girona (video message);
 - Mr Luca Vecchi, Mayor of Reggio Emilia (Italy), twin town of Girona (video message);
 - Mr Jean-Claude Frécon, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize;
 - Mr Jordi Xuclà, member of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media of the Parliamentary Assembly;
 - Mr Pedro Agramunt, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe;
 - Ms Marta Madrenas, Mayor of Girona;
 - Mr Raül Romeva, Minister for External Affairs, Institutional Relations and Transparency of the “Generalitat” of Catalonia;
- agreed to hold its next meeting during the October 2016 part-session, 10-14 October 2016 or during the first part-session 2017 of the Assembly, 23-27 January 2017, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*).

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