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

Synopsis

of the meeting held by videoconference on 2 June 2020

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting by videoconference on Tuesday, 2 June 2020, from 9.30 am to 12.45 pm, and from 2.15 to 4.30 pm, with Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Lessons for future public health emergencies from an effective and rights-based response to the COVID-19 pandemic** (*Rapporteur: Mr Andrej Hunko, Germany, UEL*): considered a draft report, decided to change the title to “Lessons for the future from an effective and rights-based response to the COVID-19 pandemic” and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation as amended, with a view to presenting the report for debate at the Standing Committee on 26 June 2020;
- **Artificial intelligence in health care: medical, legal and ethical challenges ahead** (*Rapporteur: Ms Selin Sayek Böke, Turkey, SOC*): considered a revised preliminary draft report and held an exchange of views with Ms Effy Vayena, Professor and Chair of Bioethics, Health Ethics and Policy Lab, Department of Health Sciences and Technology – ETH Zürich [Swiss Federal Institute of Technology];
- **Drug policy and human rights in Europe: a baseline study** (*Rapporteur: Mr Joseph O'Reilly, Ireland, EPP/CD*): considered and unanimously approved a revised draft opinion;
- **Committee's work programme and priorities:**
 - Appointed a rapporteur as follows:

For report:

 - ✓ Impact of armed conflicts on transboundary environmental damage: Mr John Howell (United Kingdom, EC/DA)

and heard from him a declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
 - appointed Committee representatives to external events, as follows:
 - ✓ Plenary meeting of the Lanzarote Committee, 15-17 June 2020, KUDO platform: Baroness Doreen E. Massey (United Kingdom, SOC);
 - ✓ Thematic meeting of the European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG) on “A democratic response to COVID-19”, 18 June 2020, KUDO platform: Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE) and Ms Nina Kasimati (Greece, UEL);
 - ✓ 11th meeting of the European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG), 10 and 15 September 2020, KUDO platform: Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE);
- **Date and place of next meetings:**

Plenary Committee

 - 6 July 2020 by videoconference on the KUDO platform;
 - 22 September 2020, Paris (Council of Europe Office) OR 22-23 September 2020 (*place to be determined, date to be confirmed*);
 - October part-session 2020 of the Assembly, 12-16 October 2020, Strasbourg (*to be confirmed*);
 - 1 December 2020, Paris (Council of Europe Office) (*to be confirmed*).

Sub-Committee on Children

- 6 July 2020 by videoconference on the KUDO platform

Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize

- 6 July 2020 by videoconference on the KUDO platform

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