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Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Draft agenda

of the meetings to be held in Strasbourg, Palais de l'Europe, room 9, on:

- . Monday 22 April 2013, 14:00 – 15:00
- . Tuesday 23 April 2013, 8:30 – 10:00
- . Thursday, 25 April 2013, 8:30 – 10:00
- . Thursday, 25 April 2013, 14:00 – 15:30

Monday, 22 April 2013, 14:00 – 15:00, room 9

1. Agenda

[AS/Pol (2013) OJ 03]

Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

[AS/Pol (2013) PV 02]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Rabat, Morocco, 13-14 March 2013

3. Election of the 1st Vice-Chairperson of the Committee

[List of the members of the Committee]

Candidate(s)

4. Request for partner for democracy status with the Parliamentary Assembly submitted by the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic

Rapporteur: Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Turkey, EDG

[Letter of the Kyrgyz Parliament, Extract of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly]

Exchange of views with a delegation of the Parliament of Kyrgyzstan

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

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Tuesday, 23 April 2013, 8:30 – 10:00

- 5. Violence against religious communities**
Rapporteur: Mr Luca Volontè, Italy, EPP/CD
[Doc ..., Doc amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 22 April 2013, 16:00
Debate in the Assembly: Tuesday 23 April 2013, 10:00

- 6. Drug traffic from Afghanistan as a threat to European security**
Rapporteur: Lord Tomlinson, United Kingdom, SOC
[AS/Pol (2013) 06]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

- 7. Situation in the Middle East**
Rapporteur: Mr Pietro Marcenaro, Italy, SOC
[AS/Pol/ME/Inf (2013) 02 rev2]

Statement by the Chairperson and Rapporteur and by the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the Middle East on the 1st part of the visit of the Sub-Committee to the region (6-9 April 2013)

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, 14:00 – 15:30

Meeting of the Sub-committee on the Middle East (see separate agenda)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, 8:30 – 10:00

- 8. Follow-up to Resolution 1912 (2013) on *The Situation in Kosovo** and the role of the Council of Europe**
[Res 1912 (2013), Rec 2006 (2013)]

. Statement by the Chairperson

. Exchange of views with representatives of the Kosovo* Assembly:

- Mr Hydajet Hyseni, 1st Vice Chairperson of the Committee for Foreign Affairs
- Ms Vjosa Osmani, Member of the Committee for European Integration

- 9. Situation in Belarus**
Rapporteur: Mr Andres Herkel, Estonia, EPP/CD
[AS/Bur (2013) 23]

Statement by the Rapporteur following a discussion at the Bureau of the Assembly on 7 March 2013

- 10. The functioning of democratic institutions in Romania**
[Doc. 13052]

Statement by the Chairperson and exchange of views

- 11. Political transition in Tunisia**
Rapporteur: Ms Anne Brasseur, Luxembourg, ALDE
[AS/Pol/Inf (2013) 09]

Statement by the Rapporteur

* All references to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

Thursday, 25 April 2013, 14:00 – 15:30

12. Democracy and the limitation of mandates

Rapporteur: Mr Mike Hancock, United Kingdom, ALDE
[CDL-AD (2012) 027]

Statement by the Rapporteur and consideration of an information report

13. Follow-up to Bureau decisions

. Joint Conference with the Interparliamentary Assembly of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) Members Nations: *Role of Parliamentary Organisations in building a Europe without dividing lines* (St Petersburg, Russian Federation, 12 April 2013)
[AS/Bur/IPA-CIS (2013) OJ 01]

- Exchange of views

. References and transmissions to the Committee

- Measures to combat the rising popularity of right-wing extremism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism in the Council of Europe's member States (consultation of Committee, for information)
[Doc. 13103; 12681; 12661]

- European Forum about the future (for information)
[Doc. 13105]

14. Reports from Committee representatives to external events

Statement by the Chairperson on his participation in the Joint Seminar NATO PA Rose-Roth Mediterranean and Middle East Group Special (GSM) and Sub-Committee on East-West Economic Co-operation and Convergence (ESCEW)
[programme of the Seminar]

15. Open discussion on current issues

16. Call for candidates for report on:

- *Activities of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in 2013-2014*
- *Political transition in Egypt*

17. Authorisations by the Committee

18. Other business

19. Next meetings

- 5-6 June 2013, Paris
- 24-28 June 2013 (3rd part session), Strasbourg
- 6 September 2013, Paris
- 30 September – 4 October 2013 (4th part session), Strasbourg
- 8 November 2013, Paris
- 10-11 December 2013, Paris