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**To the members of the ad hoc Sub-Committee of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy**

**Synopsis**

**of the Conference on Building democratic security in the Mediterranean: common challenges, shared responsibility**

**Dubrovnik, Croatia, 6 November 2018**

The *ad hoc* Sub-Committee (of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy), meeting in Dubrovnik, Croatia, on 6 November 2018, in the framework of the Croatian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, with Mr George Loucaides (Cyprus, UEL) in the Chair:

- heard welcome addresses from:
  - Mr Gordan Jandroković, Speaker of the Croatian Parliament
  - Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
  - Ms Marija Pejčinović-Burić, Vice-President of the Croatian Government and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs
  - Mr Mato Franković, Mayor of Dubrovnik
  - Ms Sanja Putica, Chairperson of the Croatian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe;
- held a working session on *Challenges to the stability in the Mediterranean* with the participation\* of Ms Dragica Roščić, Chairperson of the Croatian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM) and Professor Vlatko Cvrtila, PhD, President of the Croatian Council of Universities and University Colleges of Applied Sciences, Rector of Vern' University, Zagreb, followed by an open discussion with participants;
- held a working session on *Building democratic security, promoting good governance and countering threats to the rule of law* with the participation\* of Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragnoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe; Mr Marin Mrčela, President of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO), Mr Mario Janeček, Chairperson of the Council of Europe Committee on Counter-Terrorism (CDCT), Mr Driss El Yazami, Chairperson of the Moroccan National Human Rights Council, Mr Gianni Buquicchio, President of the Venice Commission, and Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe;
- heard a summing up by the Chairperson of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee and invited him to present proposals for follow-up at one of the next meetings of the Committee.

\* in order of appearance

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