

**SECRETARIAT** 

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# To the members of the Standing Committee

# Synopsis of the meeting held in Vienna on 22 November 2013

The **Standing Committee**, meeting on 22 November 2013 in Vienna, with Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, President of the Assembly, and then Mr René Rouquet, Vice-President of the Assembly, in the chair:

- heard a welcome address from Mr Reinhard Todt, President of the Federal Council of Austria;
- ratified the credentials of new members of the Assembly submitted by the delegations of Finland, Norway and Turkey;
- approved changes in the composition of Assembly committees;
- held an exchange of views with Mr Michael Spindelegger, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria and Chairperson of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe;
- held an exchange of views with Ms Marit Nybakk, President of the Nordic Council;
- took note of the preliminary draft agenda of the first 2014 part-session of the Assembly (27 31 January 2014);
- ratified the references to committees proposed by the Bureau which are contained in the Appendix I hereafter;
- took note of the report of the Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau on the "Observation of the presidential election in Azerbaijan (9 October 2013)";
- took note of the report of the Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau on the "Observation of the presidential election in Georgia (27 October 2013)";
- referred back to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons the report on "The arrival of mixed migratory flows in Italian coastal areas" (Doc. 13348);
- took note of the information report of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy on "Democracy and the limitation of mandates";
- adopted the following texts on behalf of the Assembly:

Opinion 286 (2013) Draft Council of Europe Convention against Trafficking in

**Human Organs** 

Recommendation 2028 (2013) Monitoring the return of irregular migrants and failed asylum

seekers by land, sea and air

Recommendation 2029 (2013)	The participation of non-member States in Council of Europe conventions
Recommendation 2030 (2013)	Violence against women in Europe
Resolution 1960 (2013)	Drug traffic from Afghanistan as a threat to European security
Resolution 1961 (2013)	The participation of non-member States in Council of Europe conventions
Resolution 1962 (2013)	Stalking
Resolution 1963 (2013)	Violence against women in Europe
Resolution 1964 (2013)	Good governance of large metropolises
<b>Resolution 1965 (2013)</b>	The discipline of the members of the Parliamentary Assembly

decided to hold its next meeting in Paris on 7 March 2014.

Valérie Clamer

cc: Secretary General of the Assembly

Director General, Director and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations

Secretary General of the Congress Secretary to the Committee of Ministers

Directors General

Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights

**Director of Communication** 

Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

#### **APPENDIX I**

Decisions on documents tabled for references to committees

### A. REFERENCES TO COMMITTEES

1. Involuntary placement and treatment of people with psychosocial disability: need for a new paradigm

Motion for a recommendation tabled by the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Doc. 13316

Reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development for report

2. Road safety in Europe as a public health priority

Motion for a resolution tabled by the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Doc. 13317

Reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development for report

3. Access to justice through online instruments
Motion for a resolution tabled by Ms Gorghiu and other members of the Assembly
Doc. 13318

Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights for report

 Increasing co-operation against cyber terrorism and other large-scale attacks on the internet Motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Franken and other members of the Assembly Doc. 13319

Reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media for report

5. Defending the acquis of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental co-operation

Motion for a resolution tabled by the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

Doc. 13322

Reference to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs for report

## **B. NO FURTHER ACTION**

 Combat "Down-syndromecide"
 Motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Volontè and other members of the Assembly Doc. 13269