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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Mandate of the General rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance¹

Denomination: General rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance.

Term of office: two years.

Subject: it is the duty of the general rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance to intervene in the areas of racism, intolerance, hate speech, racist violence and racial discrimination.

Responsibilities: the general rapporteur contributes to raising awareness on the need to combat racism and intolerance, following relevant developments in Council of Europe member states. He/she shall report periodically to the Committee on the information collected and the action taken.

In addition, the role of the general rapporteur is to:

- follow activities and maintain working relations with relevant Council of Europe intergovernmental and monitoring bodies dealing with racism, intolerance, hate speech, racist violence and racial discrimination;
- follow activities and maintain working relations with national parliaments as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations working on racism, hatred and intolerance;
- contribute to giving visibility to the work of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination in the area of combating racism, hatred and intolerance;
- follow up on relevant resolutions and recommendations by the Parliamentary Assembly, such as Resolution 1967 (2014) and Recommendation 2032 (2014) on "A strategy to prevent racism and intolerance in Europe", Resolution 1968 (2014) on "Tackling racism in the police", Resolution 1910 (2012) on "NGOs' role in combating intolerance, racism and xenophobia" and Resolution 1345 (2003) on "Racist, xenophobic and intolerant discourse in politics".

Note by the Secretariat. The general rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance also ensures the coordination of the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance.

¹ Approved by the Standing Committee on 10 March 2014.