



FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

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22 April 2002

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on 22 April 2002 in Strasbourg with Mr Schieder in the Chair, as regards:

- *April 2002 Part-Session (Strasbourg, 22-26 April 2002):*
 - . following a request by the Political Affairs Committee, proposed to the Assembly to hold an urgent debate on the situation in the Middle East on the basis of a report by the Committee and an opinion by the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights;
 - . following a request by the Swiss delegation, proposed to the Assembly to hold a current affairs debate on the future of European institutions and their interrelationship, to have Mr Lachat (Switzerland, EPP/CD) as the opening speaker, and to withdraw from the draft order of business the debate on the future of co-operation between European institutions (Rapporteur: Mr van der Linden, Netherlands, EPP/CD);
 - . updated the draft order of business;
- *Recent developments in Moldova:* took note of the information provided by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe and by the Secretary General of the Assembly;
- *Joint Committee (Thursday, 25 April 2002):* designated its spokespersons;
- *Progress report of the Bureau and of the Standing Committee:* approved the draft report, including the addendum on the Joint Working Group on Chechnya (JWG) and the replacement of Mr Surjan by Lord Kilclooney on the JWG;
- *Parliamentary elections in Ukraine (31 March 2002):*
 - . heard a statement by the Chairman of the ad hoc committee of the Bureau, Mr Gross (Switzerland, SOC);
 - . approved the report by the ad hoc committee and declassified it as an addendum to the Progress Report,
 - . authorised a post-electoral mission to the country by five members of the ad hoc committee, including the Chairperson, the rapporteur, the two co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee and a member of the European Democratic Group;
- *Future meetings of the Standing Committee:* took note that a meeting of the Standing Committee would take place on 3 September 2002 in Luxembourg in order to have an exchange of views with the chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers, and authorised a meeting of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men in Luxembourg on 4 September 2002;
- *References, transmissions and modifications of references to committee:* approved the following proposals to be submitted to the Assembly:
 - . Motion for a Recommendation on migrants in irregular employment in the agricultural sector of southern European countries (Doc. 9384): to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Demography for report;

- . Motion for a Recommendation on the prevention of recidivism in crimes against minors (Doc. 9392): to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights for report;
 - . Request by the Committee of Ministers for an opinion on the draft Additional Protocol to the Anti-Doping Convention (Doc. 9411) to the Committee on Culture, Science and Education for report;
 - . Reference 2013 on Self-determination and secession (Doc. 7305) extended for one year;
 - . no further action by the Political Affairs Committee on references 2420, 2461 and 2593;

 - . postponed a decision on the Motion for a Resolution on political prisoners in Ukraine (Doc. 9354);
- *Future meetings:*
- . Strasbourg, Friday 26 April 2002 at 8.30 am
 - . Lucerne, Tuesday 28 May 2002 at 3.p.m.
 - . Strasbourg, Monday 24 June 2002 at 8.30 am
 - . Strasbourg, Friday 28 June 2002 at 8.30 am
 - . Luxembourg, Tuesday 3 September 2002 at 9.30 am
 - . Strasbourg, Monday 23 September 2002 at 8.30 am
 - . Strasbourg, Friday 27 September 2002 at 8.30 am
 - . Strasbourg, Wednesday 6 November 2002 at 3 pm (to be confirmed)
 - . Paris, Monday 9 December 2002 at 9.30 am.

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