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To the members of the Assembly

Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 17 December 2012

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Monday 17 December 2012 in Paris, with Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, President of the Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Standing Committee meeting (Andorra la Vella, 30 November 2012):** invited the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights to consider the possible follow-up regarding the establishment of a mechanism for the treatment of victims of human rights violations;
- **Communications:** took note of the communication by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe;
- **First part-session of 2013 (Strasbourg, 21-25 January 2013):** drew up the draft agenda;
- **References and transmissions to committees:** considered and approved the references as presented in Appendix I, subject to ratification by the Assembly;
- **Assembly List - consequences of the adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of the "Resolution on the status of Palestine":** decided to use the name "Palestine", subject to ratification by the Assembly in the framework of the Progress report;
- **Election observation:**
 - i. **Guidelines for the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly:** considered, amended and approved the revised Guidelines subject to ratification by the Assembly in the framework of the Progress report;
 - ii. **Follow-up to Paragraphs 9 and 10 of Resolution 1897 (2012) (Report "For more democratic elections", Doc 13021):** took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly and agreed to make it available to the meeting of Chairpersons of ad hoc Committees for the observation of elections (Strasbourg, 22 January 2013);
 - iii. **Schedule of elections 2013:** took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly;
 - iv. **Monaco: parliamentary elections (10 February 2013):** approved the composition of the ad hoc committee and appointed Mr Piotr Wach (Poland, EPP/CD) as chairperson;
 - v. **Armenia: presidential election (18 February 2013):** approved the composition of the ad hoc committee and appointed Ms Karin Woldseth (Norway, EDG) as chairperson;
- **Procedure of the election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe:** invited the President to confirm to the Chair of the Committee of Ministers that this election would be held on Tuesday 24 June 2014;

- **Implementation of Resolution 1903 (2012) on the code of conduct of members of the Parliamentary Assembly: good practice or a core duty?**: considered the memorandum prepared by the Secretariat, and decided to come back to this issue at its next meeting;
- **Expenditure of the Parliamentary Assembly for the 2013 financial year**: took note of the information provided by the Secretary General of the Assembly;
- **PACE participation in the open-ended Ad hoc Working Party of the Committee of Ministers on the Future of the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity (North-South Centre) (GT-CNS)**: decided to appoint Ms Maryvonne Blondin (France, SOC) and Sir Roger Gale (United Kingdom, EDG) to participate in the Ad hoc Working Party;
- **Parliamentary Project Support Division: draft work plan 2013**: took note of the information provided by the Secretariat;
- **Co-operation with the European Parliament**: took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretariat;
- **Apportionment of the allocation to political groups for 2013**: approved the proposal for the apportionment of the allocation;
- **Meetings elsewhere than in Strasbourg and Paris**: authorised a meeting of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development and the 12th meeting of the network of contact parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children to be held in Berlin on 14 and 15 March 2013;
- **Next meetings**:
 - decided to hold the following meetings:
 - Strasbourg, Monday 21 January 2013 at 8 am;
 - Strasbourg, Friday 25 January 2013 at 8.30 am;
 - Paris, Thursday 7 March 2013 at 3 pm.

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 Director General, Directors 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

References and transmissions to committees

Doc No.	Nature of document	Title of document	Committee concerned
13049	Motion for a Resolution	The world beyond 2015 - Europe's contribution to the post MDG Framework	transmission to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development <i>for information</i>
13050	Motion for a Resolution	Immigration detention of children	reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons <i>for report</i>
13052	Motion for a Resolution	The functioning of democratic institutions in Romania	reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy <i>for report</i>
13053	Motion for a resolution	Greece under pressure: Europe's front door for irregular migration	reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons <i>for report</i>
13054	Motion for a resolution	The abuse by social services of member States of the Council of Europe of their authority to remove children from their parents' custody	transmission to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development <i>report</i> and to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights <i>for opinion</i> ;
13055	Motion for a resolution	Ensuring children with attention problems are properly cared for	transmission to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development <i>for report</i>
13064	Motion for a resolution	Human rights in the North Caucasus: what follow-up to Resolution 1738 (2010)?	reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights <i>for report</i>