



BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY

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4 June 2013

To the members of the Assembly

**Synopsis
of the meeting held in Yerevan
on 30 May 2013**

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Thursday 30 May 2013 in Yerevan, with Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, President of the Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- ***Standing Committee (Yerevan, 31 May 2013):***
 - . took note of the revised draft agenda;
 - . approved a draft statement on the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict for adoption by the Standing Committee;
- ***Request for the opening of a monitoring procedure in respect of Hungary:***
 - . decided to propose to the Assembly not to open a monitoring procedure in respect of Hungary;
 - . designated Mr Robert Walter (United Kingdom, EDG) to speak on behalf of the Bureau during the plenary debate on this issue;
- ***Third part-session of 2013 (Strasbourg, 24-28 June):***
 - . drew up the draft agenda;
 - . decided to invite Ms Najat Vallaud-Belkacem, Minister of Women's Rights, France, to address the Assembly in the context of the debate on "Tackling discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity";
- ***Communication by the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe:*** took note of the communication;
- ***Václav Havel Human Rights Prize – designation of three members of the Selection Panel appointed by the Bureau:***
 - . confirmed Mr Thomas Hammarberg and Ms Nuala Mole as members of the Selection Panel;
 - . elected Mr Christos Pourgourides as the third member of the Selection Panel;
 - . took note that the three members of the Selection Panel of the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize would start their term of office of two years on 1 June 2013;
- ***Election observation:***
 - . *Presidential election in Montenegro (7 April 2013):* approved the final report of the ad hoc committee;

- . *Early parliamentary elections in Bulgaria (12 May 2013)*: took note of the press release issued by the ad hoc committee;
- . *Parliamentary elections in Albania (23 June 2013)*: approved the final composition of the ad hoc committee (see appendix 1);
- . *Presidential election in Azerbaijan (October 2013, date to be confirmed)*: decided to observe this election (subject to the confirmation of the date) and constituted an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of 32 members: EPP/CD: 11, SOC: 10; ALDE: 4, EDG: 4, UEL: 1 (in accordance with the D'Hondt system) and the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring committee; authorised a pre-electoral mission composed of 7 members (one from each political group and the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring committee), to take place at least one month ahead of the election;
- . *Presidential election in Georgia (October 2013, date to be confirmed)*: decided to observe this election (subject to receipt of an invitation and confirmation of the date) and constituted an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of 32 members: EPP/CD: 11, SOC: 10; ALDE: 4, EDG: 4, UEL: 1 (in accordance with the D'Hondt system) and the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring committee; authorised a pre-electoral mission composed of 7 members (one from each political group and the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring committee), to take place at least one month ahead of the election;
- **References and transmissions to committees**: considered and approved the references as presented in the appendix 2, subject to ratification by the Standing Committee;
- **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and of the Standing Committee (26 April – 23 June 2013)**: appointed Mr Giacomo Santini (Italy, EPP/CD) as rapporteur;
- **Analysis of the use made by the Assembly's political groups of their allocations for 2012**: approved the draft communication submitted by the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs;
- **Composition of the Monitoring Committee**: on the basis of a proposal submitted by the Socialist Group, appointed Mr Michael McNamara (Ireland, SOC) subject to ratification by the Standing Committee;
- **Appointment of Assembly representatives for official activities**: appointed Ms Nursuna Memecan (Turkey, ALDE) to participate in the 22nd Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in Istanbul from 29 June to 3 July 2013;
- **Date and place of next meetings**: decided to hold the following meetings:
 - . Monday 24 June 2013, Strasbourg, at 8 am;
 - . Friday 28 June 2013, Strasbourg at 8.30 am;
 - . Monday 2 September 2013, Dubrovnik (Croatia) at 9 am.

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cc.

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APPENDIX 1

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE OBSERVATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN ALBANIA

COMMISSION AD HOC POUR L'OBSERVATION DES ELECTIONS LEGISLATIVES EN ALBANIE

23 June / juin 2013

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APPENDIX 2

A. REFERENCES TO COMMITTEES

Doc. [13173](#), Motion for a resolution, The “backbone” to a successful regional democracy, to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for information*

Doc. [13185](#), Motion for a recommendation, Urgent need to deal with new failures to co-operate with the European Court of Human Rights, to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

Doc. [13186](#), Motion for a resolution, Ensuring equal treatment and dignified care for the elderly, to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for information*

Doc. [13188](#), Motion for a recommendation, Violence against women in Europe, reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report*

Doc. [13189](#), Motion for a recommendation, Innovative medical treatments of infectious diseases, transmission to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for information*

Doc. [13190](#), Motion for a resolution, Improving co-operation between National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Parliaments in addressing Equality and Non-Discrimination Issues, to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report*

B. REPLY AFTER CONSULTATION

Doc. [13103](#), Motion for a resolution, Measures to combat the rising popularity of right-wing extremism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism in the Council of Europe’s member States, to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *to be taken into account in the preparation of the report on “Counteraction to manifestations of neo-Nazism and xenophobia”* (Ref. 3816 of 3 October 2011)

C. REQUESTS TO EXTEND REFERENCES

Doc. [12585](#), Motion for a resolution, Improving user protection and security in cyberspace (Ref. 3772 of 27 May 2011 – validity: 27 May 2013): extension until 31 January 2014

Doc. [12252](#), Motion for a resolution, The rule of law in Council of Europe member states: upholding the authority of the Parliamentary Assembly’s recommendations (Ref. 3684 of 21 June 2010 (extended on 25 May 2012): extension until 30 June 2014