



BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY

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25 June 2021

## To the Members of the Assembly

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg (hybrid) on 24 June 2021

**The Bureau of the Assembly**, meeting on Thursday 24 June 2021 in a hybrid format, with Mr Rik Daems, President of the Parliamentary Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Communication:** took note of the progress report and of the statement by the President of the Assembly;
- **Third part-session of 2021 (Strasbourg, 21-24 June):** approved the follow-up proposals to the third part-session, made by the Secretary General of the Assembly, as set out in Appendix 1;
- **Fourth part-session of 2021 (Strasbourg, 27-30 September):** decided to hold this part-session in a hybrid format, and drew up the preliminary draft agenda;
- **Election of a judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of the Russian Federation:** took note of the decision of the Committee on the Election of Judges to convene the candidates for interviews for the post a judge in respect of the Russian Federation at the committee's next meeting on 16-17 September 2021 ;
- **References and transmissions to committees:** approved the references and transmissions as set out in Appendix 2, subject to the ratification by the Assembly;
- **Election observation:**
  - *Armenia: early parliamentary elections (20 June 2021):* took note of the statement by the observation mission;
  - *Russian Federation: parliamentary elections (19 September 2021):* approved the list of members of the ad hoc committee and appointed Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC) as the Chairperson of the ad hoc committee (Appendix 3);
- **European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) - List of candidates in respect of Austria, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Poland, Serbia, Spain, Turkey, and Ukraine:** approved the lists of candidates in respect of Austria, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Poland, Serbia, Turkey, and Ukraine to be forwarded to the Committee of Ministers, and approved the recommendation of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights to invite the delegation of Spain to submit a new list of candidates to the CPT;

- **Budgetary matters - Analysis of the use made by the Assembly's political groups of their allocations for 2020:** approved the communication submitted by the Committee on Rules of Procedures, Immunities and Institutional Affairs; and decided to elaborate, in the course of 2022, in close consultation with the political groups, a concise set of financial guidelines for the budgets of the groups;
- **Issues raised by committees:**
  - *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy:* subject to international travel conditions relating to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic:
    - authorised Mr Jacques Maire (France, ALDE), Rapporteur on *Review of the Partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic*, to carry out a fact-finding visit to the Kyrgyz Republic, by the end of 2021;
    - authorised Mr George Loucaides (Cyprus, UEL), Rapporteur on *Evaluation of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of Jordan*, to carry out a fact-finding visit to Jordan, by the end of 2021;
- **2021 World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 8-10 November):** took note of the list of members of the ad hoc committee and appointed the President of the Assembly as its chairperson (Appendix 4);
- **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and the Standing Committee (24 June – 26 September 2021):** appointed Mr Jacques Maire (France, ALDE) as rapporteur;
- **Meetings elsewhere than Strasbourg and Paris:** authorised the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy to meet in Budapest, Hungary, on 3-4 November 2021, sanitary conditions permitting;
- **Dates and places of next meetings:** decided to hold its meetings as follows:
  - Monday 6 September 2021, 9.30 am (Strasbourg, hybrid)
  - Friday 24 September 2021, 9.30 am (part-session, hybrid)
  - Thursday 30 September 2021, 2 pm (part-session, hybrid).

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**Appendix 1 – Follow-up to the third part-session of 2021 (Strasbourg, 21-24 June)**

- **Current affairs debate on *The situation in Belarus: a threat to the whole of Europe migratory pressure on front line countries***

Follow-up: decided to refer this issue to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy to be taken into account in the preparation of its report on *Call for an inclusive national political process in Belarus*

- **Current affairs debate on *The need for an effective solidarity mechanism between European countries to relieve***

Follow-up: decided to refer this issue to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons to prepare a report on *European solidarity in the migration and asylum context*

## Appendix 2 – References and transmissions to committees

### A. REFERENCE TO A COMMITTEE

- [Doc. 15319](#), Motion for a resolution, *Belarus state terrorism as a threat to the whole European continent*: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *to be taken into account in the framework of the report “Call for an inclusive national political process in Belarus”* and to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for opinion* on the main report
- Bureau decision, *European solidarity in the migration and asylum context*: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report*

### B. REQUEST BY A COMMITTEE (Rule 26.4 of the Assembly’s Rules of Procedure)

- [Doc. 14588](#), Motion for a recommendation *Reshaping the foundations of multilateralism: lapse of the reference*

**Appendix 3****AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE OBSERVATION OF THE  
PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION****19 September 2021****List of members****Chairperson / Président.e** : Mr / M. Pierre-Alain FRIDEZ, Switzerland / Suisse (P)**Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group / Groupe des socialistes, démocrates et verts (SOC)**

Mr / M. Pierre-Alain FRIDEZ, Switzerland / Suisse (P)  
 Ms / Mme Jette CHRISTENSEN, Norway / Norvège  
 Mr / M. Antonio GUTIERREZ, Spain / Espagne  
 Mr / M. Ola MÖLLER, Sweden / Suède  
 Mr / M. Didier MARIE, France  
 Ms / Mme Petra BAYR, Austria / Autriche  
 Ms / Mme Latifa GAHOUCHE, Belgium / Belgique  
 Mr / M. Stefan SCHENNACH, Austria / Autriche  
 Mr / M. Roberto RAMPI, Italy / Italie  
 Ms / Mme Azadeh ROJHAN GUSTAFSSON, Sweden / Suède  
 Mr / M. Kimmo KILJUNEN, Finland / Finlande  
 Mr / M. Krzysztof SMISZEK, Poland / Pologne  
 Mr / M. Constantinos EFSTATHIOU, Cyprus / Chypre

**Substitutes / Suppléant.e.s**

Mr / M. Ünal CEVIKÖZ, Turkey / Turquie  
 Ms / Mme Marina BERLINGHIERI, Italy / Italie  
 Ms / Mme Jamila MADEIRA, Portugal  
 Mr / M. Christian PETRY, Germany / Allemagne  
 Ms / Mme Yuliya LOVOCHKINA, Ukraine  
 Mr / M. Lars Aslan RASMUSSEN, Denmark / Danemark  
 Mr / M. Yunus EMRE, Turkey / Turquie  
 Mr / M. André VALLINI, France  
 Mr / M. Sabir HAJIYEV, Azerbaijan / Azerbaïdjan

**Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD) / Groupe du Parti populaire européen (PPE/DC)**

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 Ms / Mme Maria-Gabriela HORGHA, Romania / Roumanie  
 Ms / Mme Elvira KOVÁCS, Serbia / Serbie  
 Mr / M. Alain MILON, France  
 Mr / M. Szabolcs NAGY, Romania / Roumanie  
 Mr / M. Joseph O'REILLY, Ireland / Irlande  
 Mr / M. Aleksander POCIEJ, Poland / Pologne (P)  
 Mr / M. Nicos TORNARITIS, Cyprus / Chypre  
 Mr / M. Emanuelis ZINGERIS, Lithuania / Lituanie

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**Substitutes / Suppléant.e.s**

Mr / M. Reinhold LOPATKA, Austria / Autriche  
 Mr / M. Jacek PROTASIEWICZ, Poland / Pologne  
 Mr / M. Francesco SCOMA, Italy / Italie  
 Mr / M. Krzysztof TRUSKOLASKI, Poland / Pologne

**Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) / Alliance des démocrates et des libéraux pour l'Europe (ADLE)**

Mr / M. Ruben BREKELMANS, Netherlands / Pays-Bas  
Mr / M. Michael Aastrup JENSEN, Denmark / Danemark  
Mr / M. Claude KERN, France (P)  
Ms / Mme Maša KOCIPER, Slovenia / Slovénie  
Mr / M. Jacques MAIRE, France  
Ms / Mme Diana STOICA, Romania / Roumanie  
Ms / Mme Nicole TRISSE, France

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Mr / M. Fabien GOUTTEFARDE, France  
Ms / Mme Liliana TANGUY, France  
Mr / M. Alfred HEER, Switzerland / Suisse  
Ms / Mme Nicole DURANTON, France  
Mr / M. Georges-Louis BOUCHEZ, Belgium / Belgique  
Mr / M. Jacques LE NAY, France

**European Conservatives Group and Democratic Alliance (EC/DA) / Groupe des conservateurs européens et Alliance démocratique (CE/AD)**

Mr / M. Ian LIDDELL-GRAINER, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni (P)  
Lord David BLENCATHRA, United Kingdom / Royaume Uni  
Mr / M. Alberto RIBOLLA, Italy / Italie  
Mr / M. Axel KASSEGGGER, Austria / Autriche  
Mr / M. Samad SEYIDOV, Azerbaijan / Azerbaïdjan  
Mr / M. Manuel VESCOVI, Italy / Italie

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Mr / M. Attila TILKI, Hungary / Hongrie

**Group of the Unified European Left (UEL) / Groupe pour la gauche unitaire européenne (GUE)**

Mr / M. George KATROUGALOS, Greece / Grèce (P)  
Mr / M. Olafur Thor GUNNARSSON, Iceland / Islande

**Substitutes / Suppléant.e.s**

Mr / M. Hişyar ÖZSOY, Turkey / Turquie

**Co-rapporteurs AS/MON (ex officio)**

Ms / Mme Ria OOMEN-RUIJTEN, Netherlands / Pays-Bas

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(P) pre-electoral mission

**Appendix 4**

**Ad Hoc Committee to participate in the World Forum for Democracy  
on 8-10 November 2021 in Strasbourg**

**LIST OF MEMBERS**

**Chairperson / Président**

Mr Rik Daems – President of the Parliamentary Assembly / Président de l'Assemblée parlementaire

**Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy / Commission des questions politiques et de la démocratie**

Mr / M. Ahmet Ünal Çeviköz (Turkey, SOC / Turquie, SOC)  
Mr / M. Bogdan Klich (Poland, EPP/CD / Pologne, PPE/DC)  
Ms / Mme Emine Nur Günay (Turkey, NR / Turquie NI)  
Mr / M. George Papandreou (Greece, SOC / Grèce, SOC)  
Mr / M. Ahmet Yıldız (Turkey, NR / Turquie, NI)

**Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights / Commission des questions juridiques et des droits de l'homme**

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**Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) / Commission pour le respect des obligations et engagements des Etats membres du Conseil de l'Europe (Commission de suivi)**

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**Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development / Commission des questions sociales, de la santé et du développement durable**

Mr / Mme Danuta Jazłowiecka (Poland, EPP/CD / Pologne, PPE/DC)  
Mr / M. Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD / PPE/DC)  
Mr / M. Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC / Autriche, SOC)

**Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media / Commission de la culture, de la science, de l'éducation et des médias**

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Lord George Foulkes (United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni, SOC),  
Ms / Mme Yuliia Ovchynnykova (Ukraine, ADLE / ADLE)  
Mr / M. Roberto Rampi (Italy / Italie, SOC).

**Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination / Commission sur l'égalité et sur la non-discrimination**

Ms / Mme Edite Estrela (Portugal, SOC)  
Mr / M. Jean Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE / Suisse, ADLE)  
Ms / Mme Selin Sayek Böke (Turkey, SOC / Turquie, SOC)

**Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons / Commission des migrations, des réfugiés et des personnes déplacées**

Mr / M. Paul Gavan (Ireland, UEL / Irlande, GUE)  
Mr / M. Sokratis Fanellos (Greece, UEL / Grèce, GUE)  
Mr / M. Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland / Suisse, SOC)  
Ms / Mme Mariia Mezentseva (Ukraine, EPP/CD / PPE/DC)  
Ms / Mme Kate Osamor (United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni, SOC)  
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**Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs / Commission du Règlement, des immunités et des affaires institutionnelles**

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