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To the Members of the Assembly

Synopsis

of the meeting held in Strasbourg on Friday 14 October 2022

The Bureau of the Assembly, meeting on Friday, 14 October 2022, in Strasbourg, with Mr Tiny Kox, President of the Parliamentary Assembly, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Communication:** took note of the statement by the President of the Assembly;
- **Fourth part-session of 2022 (Strasbourg, 10-14 October):**
 - approved the follow-up proposals made by the Secretary General of the Assembly to texts adopted by the Assembly, as set out in Appendix 1;
 - held an exchange of views on ways to improve organisational modalities of debates and part-sessions, and instructed its Secretary General to elaborate proposals with a view to their implementation as from the 2023 January part-session;
- **Election of a judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Denmark:** took note of the report drawn up by the Committee on the Election of Judges concerning the list of candidates, including its recommendation to reject the list, subject to ratification by the Assembly in the progress report (Doc. 15626 Addendum 2) ;
- **Standing Committee (Reykjavik, 25 November 2022):** took note of the programme and of the draft agenda;
- **References and transmissions to committees:** approved the references and transmissions as set out in Appendix 2, subject to the ratification by the Assembly;
- **Petition:** took note of the petition received by the President and decided to consult the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights on its admissibility;
- **Issues raised by committees:**
 - i. *Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee):* considered a letter by the Chairperson of the Monitoring Committee, decided to extend the on-going periodic reports on France, the Netherlands and San Marino by six months, and referred the general issue of the duration of the terms of reference of periodic review reports to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs;
 - ii. *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs:* considered a letter by the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs and decided to seize the Committee to prepare a report allowing for the modification of various provisions of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure;

- iii. *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*: authorised
- Mr Piero Fassino (Italy, SOC), rapporteur on “Recent developments in Libya and in the Middle East: what consequences for Europe?” to carry out a fact-finding visit to Israel and the Palestinian Territories, in the framework of the preparation of his report;
 - Ms Theodora Bakoyannis (Greece, EPP/CD), rapporteur on “the situation in Kosovo”, to carry out a fact-finding visit to Kosovo*, in the framework of the preparation of her report;
- **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and the Standing Committee (14 October 2022 – 23 January 2023)**: appointed Mr George KATROUGALOS (Greece, UEL) as rapporteur;
 - **Meetings elsewhere than Strasbourg or Paris**: authorised the Sub-Committee on External Relations of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, to hold a meeting in New-York, United States, from 28 to 30 November 2022;
 - **17th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Antalya, 26 October 2022)**: approved the final list of members of the ad hoc committee (Appendix 3);
 - **2022 World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 7-9 November)**: took note of the list of members of the ad hoc committee (Appendix 4);
 - **Dates and places of next meetings:**
 - Thursday 24 November 2022, 3 pm, Reykjavik
 - Friday 9 December 2022, 9.30 am, Paris
 - Monday 23 January 2023, 8 am (part-session)
 - Friday 27 January 2023, 8.30 am (part-session).

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Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
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* Throughout this text, all reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

Appendix 1 – Follow-up to the 2022 fourth part-session (Strasbourg, 10-14 October)

Urgent procedure debate on "Recent outrageous and inhuman activities of the Russian Federation"

- ⇒ Decided to seize the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report on Political consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine*

Current affairs debate on "*Military hostilities between Azerbaijan and Armenia, including strikes against settlements and civilian infrastructures*"

- ⇒ Decided to seize the Monitoring Committee on this issue to be taken into account in the preparation of its reports on *The Honouring of obligations and commitments by Azerbaijan* and on *The Honouring of obligations and commitments by Armenia*

Current affairs debate on "Threatened bans of Pride events in Council of Europe member States"

- ⇒ Decided to seize the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report on Freedom of expression and assembly of LGBTI people in Europe*

Appendix 2 – References and transmissions to committees

A. References and transmissions to committees

- [Doc. 15556](#) Motion for a resolution, *Ensuring parliamentary involvement and a rights-based approach in the WHO negotiations of a Pandemic Treaty* and [Doc. 15582](#) Motion for a resolution, *Attempts to change the International Health Regulations of the World Health Organization might violate human rights*: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development to take into account in the preparation of the report on “Public health emergency: the need for a holistic approach to multilateralism and health care”
- [Doc. 15563](#) Motion for a resolution, *Persecution against political opponents as a new basis of discrimination*: transmission to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights and the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination for information
- [Doc. 15564](#) Motion for a resolution, *Countering the erasure of cultural identity in war and peace*: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media for report
- [Doc. 15635](#) *Interconnections between the Council of Europe and the European Political Community*: transmission to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for report
- Bureau decision, *Modification of various provisions of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure*: transmission to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs for report
- Bureau decision, *Political consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine*: transmission to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for report
- Bureau decision, *Military hostilities between Azerbaijan and Armenia, including strikes against settlements and civilian infrastructures*: transmission to the Monitoring Committee to be taken into account in the preparation of its reports on *The Honouring of obligations and commitments by Azerbaijan* and on *The Honouring of obligations and commitments by Armenia*
- Bureau decision, *Freedom of expression and assembly of LGBTI people in Europe*: transmission to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination for report

B. Request for an extension of reference

The Bureau considered and approved the request to extend references:

- Bureau decision, The honouring of membership obligations to the Council of Europe by France (Reference 4568 of 19 March 2021): extension until 19 September 2023
- Bureau decision, The honouring of membership obligations to the Council of Europe by the Netherlands (Reference 4569 of 19 March 2021): extension until 19 September 2023
- Bureau decision, The honouring of membership obligations to the Council of Europe by San Marino (Reference 4570 of 19 March 2021): extension until 19 September 2023

Appendix 3 – list of members 17th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Antalya, 26 October 2022)

Chairperson / Présidente : Ms / Mme Edite ESTRELA (Portugal, SOC)

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

Ms / Mme Linda Hofstad HELLELAND (Norway, EPP/CD / Norvège, PPE/DC)

Ms / Mme Nina KASIMATI (Greece, UEL / Grèce, GUE)

Ms / Mme Fiona O'LOUGHLIN (Ireland, ALDE / Irlande, ADLE)

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

Ms / Mme Sevinj FATALIYEVA (Azerbaijan, EC/DA / Azerbaïdjan, CE/AD)

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

Ms / Mme Edite ESTRELA (Portugal, SOC)

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

Ms / Mme Nigar ARPADARAI (Azerbaijan, EC/DA / Azerbaïdjan, CE/AD)

Appendix 4 – list of members 2022 World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 7-9 November)

Chairperson / Président

Mr Tiny KOX – President of the Parliamentary Assembly / Président de l'Assemblée parlementaire

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

Lord Andrew ADONIS (United Kingdom, SOC / Royaume-Uni, SOC)
Ms / Mme Sabrina DE CARLO (Italy, SOC / Italie, SOC)
Mr / M. Mehmet Mehdi EKER (Türkiye, NR / Türkiye, NI)
Mr / M. George KATROUGALOS (Greece, UEL / Grèce, GUE)
Ms / Mme María Valentina MARTINEZ FERRO (Spain, EPP/CD / Espagne PPE/DC)
Ms / Mme Isabel MEIRELLES (Portugal, EPP/CD / Portugal, PPE/DC),
Mr / M. George PAPANDREOU (Greece, SOC / Grèce, SOC)
Ms / Mme Catia POLIDORI (Italy, EPP/CD / Italie, PPE/DC),
Mr / M. Alberto RIBOLLA (Italy, EC/DA / Italie CE/AD),
Mr / M. Samad SEYIDOV (Azerbaijan, EC/DA / Azerbaïdjan, CE/AD),
Mr / M. Krzysztof TRUSKOLASKI (Poland, EPP/CD / Pologne, PPE/DC)
Mr / M. Vladimir VARDANYAN (Armenia, EPP/CD / Arménie, PPE/DC),

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

Mr / M. Ziya ALTUNYALDIZ (Türkiye, NR / Türkiye, NI)
Mr / M. Damien COTTIER (Switzerland, ALDE / Suisse, ADLE)
Ms / Mme Maria RIZZOTTI (Italy, EPP/CD / Italie, PPE/DC)
Mr / M. Davor Ivo STIER (Croatia, EPP/CD / Croatie, PPE/DC)

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)

Ms / Mme Laura CASTEL (Spain, UEL / Espagne, GUE)
Mr / M. Asim MOLLAZADA (Azerbaijan, EC/DA / Azerbaïdjan, CE/AD)
Ms / Mme Fiona O'LOUGHLIN (Ireland, ALDE / Irlande, ADLE)
Mr / M. Manuel VESCOVI (Italy, EC/DA / Italie, CE/AD)
Ms / Mme Yelyzaveta YASKO (Ukraine, EPP/CD / Ukraine, PPE/DC)

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

Mr / M. Armen GEVORGYAN (Armenia, EPP/CD / Arménie, PPE/DC)
Ms / Mme Emin Nur GÜNAY (Türkiye, NR / Türkiye, NI)
Ms / Mme Yuliia OVCHYNNYKOVA (Ukraine, ALDE / Ukraine ADLE)
Ms / Mme Selin SAYEK BÖKE (Türkiye, SOC / Türkiye, SOC)

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

Mr / M. Roland Rino BÜCHEL (Switzerland, ALDE / Suisse ADLE)
Mr / M. Constantinos EFSTATHIOU (Cyprus, SOC / Chypre, SOC)
Mr / M. Paolo GRIMOLDI (Italy, EC/DA / Italie, CE/AD)
Ms / Mme Linda Hofstad HELLELAND (Norway, EPP/CD / Norvège, PPE/DC)
Mr / M. Rafael HUSEYNOV (Azerbaijan, ALDE / Azerbaïdjan, ADLE)
Ms / Mme Nina KASIMATI (Greece, UEL / Grèce, GUE)
Mr / M. Roberto RAMPI (Italy, SOC / Italie, SOC)
Mr / M. Stefan SCHENNACH (Austria, SOC / Autriche, SOC)

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

Mr / M. Jean-Pierre GRIN (Switzerland, ALDE / Suisse, ADLE)
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Mr / M. Momodou Malcom JALLOW (Sweden, UEL / Suède, GUE)

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Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs / Commission du Règlement, des immunités et des affaires institutionnelles

Ms / Mme Ingjerd SCHOU (Norway, EPP/CD / Norvège, PPE/DC)

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Mr / M. Ian LIDDELL-GRAINER (United Kingdom, EC/DA / Royaume-Uni, CE/AD)