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### To the Members of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education

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of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 25, 27 and 28 January 2010

The **Committee on Culture, Science and Education**, in the presence of Mr Sawicki, (Director General of the Assembly) with Mr McIntosh, senior member present, and then Mr McIntosh, Mrs Brasseur and Mrs de Melo in the chair:

- elected Mr Andrew McIntosh (United Kingdom, SOC) Chairman by acclamation;
- elected Mr Kent Olsson (Sweden, EPP/CD) first Vice-Chairman, **Mrs Maria Manuela de Melo (Portugal, SOC)**, **second Vice-Chairperson** and Mrs Elvira Kovács (Serbia, EPP/CD) third Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;
- reconstituted its sub-committees as follows:

**Sub-Committee on the Cultural Heritage:** Angel (Stravositu), Bemelmans-Videc (de Vries), Brasseur (Huss), Daems (Ducarme), Debono Grech (Falzon), Giannaka (Papadimoulis), Hennrich, Hurskainen, Huseynov, Kazmierczak (Dabkowska-Cichocka), Keaveney, Kovács, Kuodyte, Kyriakidou (Sarikas), Malgieri (Mogherini), Marland-Militello (Kucheida), Marquet, de Melo (Medeiros), Muttonen (Konečný), O'Hara (Heald), Olsson (Lilliehöök), Postanjyan, Quintanilla (Quesada), Rihter, Rugate, Šojdrová, Sudarenkov (Solonin), Tekelioğlu, McIntosh (ex officio);

**Sub-Committee on the Media :** Agostinho (Roseira), Anghel (Stavrositu), Bergamini (Franceschini), Brasseur (Huss), Ducarme (Daems), Falzon, Fischer, Flego, Herasym'yuk, Herkel, Huseynov, Jantuan, Jensen, Johansson, Kanelli (Katrini), Kumcuoğlu, Laukkanen (Hurskainen), Muñoz-Alonso (Fernández Soriano), Muttonen (Konečný), Němcová (Gajdůšková), O'Reilly (Keaveney), Postanjyan (Zohrabyan), Rihter, Rugate, Steiner, Stugligrosz, Stump (Fiala), de Vries (Franken), McIntosh (ex officio);

**Sub-Committee on Youth and Sport :** Ayva, Calian (Stoica), Debono-Grech, Gajdůšková, Giannaka (Kanelli), Goutry (Vandenberghe), Graf (Muttonen), Heald, Herasym'yuk, Hostalier (Schneider), Keaveney (O'Reilly), Khorikina, Kovács, Kozma, Kucheida, Kyriakidou (Sarikas), Laukkanen, O'Hara, Olsson, de Puig (Fernández-Capel), Reimann, Russo, (Boldi), Waalkens, Wach, Zohrabyan, McIntosh (ex officio);

- adopted unanimously an opinion on **minority protection in Europe** (Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Anghel, Romania, EPP/CD) scheduled provisionally for the Standing Committee in Paris on 12 March 2010;

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cc. Secretary General of the Assembly and Secretariat of the Assembly  
Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly  
Observers to the Assembly  
Secretary General of the Congress  
Directors General  
Secretary to the Committee of Ministers  
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe  
Director of Communication  
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

- took position on amendments presented to the draft recommendation on **respect for media freedom** (Rapporteur: Mr McIntosh, United Kingdom, SOC);
- took note of the decision of the Assembly to take off its agenda for the present part-session the report on **rethinking creative rights for the internet age** (Rapporteur: Mr Arnaut, Portugal, EPP/CD), noted that it would be submitted to the Standing Committee in Paris on 12 March 2010 and designated Mrs Marland-Militello, France (EPP/CD) to present it on that occasion;
- held an exchange of views with Mrs Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, on the Council of Europe action programme “children and violence”, which was of relevance to the report on **education against violence at school** (Rapporteur: Mr Flego, Croatia, SOC);
- held an exchange of views with Mrs Gabriella Battaini-Dragnoni, Director General of DG IV and Coordinator for intercultural dialogue, on intergovernmental work of relevance to the Committee;
- recalled Resolution 60/7 of the United Nations General Assembly of 2005 establishing the **International Holocaust Remembrance Day** on 27 January;
- agreed to request the Bureau of the Assembly to send the Motion for a resolution on *families’ freedom of choice in education in each member state* by Mr Volonté and others to the Committee for report;
- took note of the reports on recent meetings by:
  - Mr McIntosh, Steering Committee for Higher Education and Research (CDESR), Strasbourg (9-10 December 2009),
  - Mr McIntosh, Preparatory meeting for the 2010 European Dialogue on Internet Governance, Madrid, (19 January 2010);
- appointed the following rapporteurs:
  - Mrs Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE) (for opinion): *the need for a global consideration of human rights implications of biometrics* (to replace Mr Wodarg),
  - Mrs de Melo (Portugal, SOC): *the ethics of science* (to replace Mr Wodarg),
  - Mrs Fiala (Switzerland, ALDE): *access to and protection of the audiovisual cultural heritage*,
  - Mr McIntosh (United Kingdom, SOC): *the protection of freedom of expression and information in electronic media*,
  - Mr Ayva (Turkey, EPP/CD) for opinion: *measures to improve the democratic character of elections in Council of Europe member states*;
- confirmed Mr O’Hara (United Kingdom, SOC) as General Rapporteur on the Cultural Heritage as well as the rapporteur on the European museum awards;
- confirmed Mr McIntosh (United Kingdom, SOC) as Standing Rapporteur on media freedom;
- appointed representatives to forthcoming meetings;
  - Mr Olsson to the Assembly Bureau, Strasbourg (29 January 2010),
  - Mr de Puig to the Euro-Mediterranean Meeting on Intercultural Dialogue, Barcelona (4-7 March 2010),
  - Mr McIntosh as Rapporteur on the European Higher Education Area to participate in the Bologna Follow-up Group meeting in Madrid (18-19 February 2010) as well as the ministerial conference on the Bologna Process in Vienna and Budapest (11-12 March 2010),
  - Mrs Kovács to the Assembly Bureau and Standing Committee meetings, Paris (11-12 March 2010);
- designated the following institutional representatives:
  - Mrs de Melo (Portugal, SOC) and Mr de Puig (Spain, SOC) to the North South Centre Executive Council,
  - Mr Olsson (Sweden, EPP/CD) and Mrs Giannaka (Greece, SOC) to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance of the Council of Europe (ECRI),
  - Mr O’Hara (United Kingdom, SOC) to Europa Nostra,
  - Mr O’Hara (United Kingdom, SOC) to the Gifts Committee;

- took note of the reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 1848(2008) on **indicators for media in a democracy** (Mr Wodarg, Germany, SOC);
- decided to hold its next meeting in Paris (Council of Europe office) on 10 March 2010.

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The **Sub-Committee on the Cultural Heritage**, meeting in the context of the full Committee on 28 January 2010:

- decided to elect its Chair and Vice-Chair at its next meeting;
- decided to hold its next meeting in Paris (Council of Europe office) on 10 March 2010.

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The **Sub-Committee on the Media**, meeting in the context of the full Committee on 25 January 2010:

- elected Mr Laukkanen (Finland, ALDE) Chairperson by acclamation;
- left it to its chairman to decide on the date and place of the next meeting.

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The **Sub-Committee on Youth and Sport**, meeting in the context of the full Committee on 25 January 2010:

- elected Miss Keaveney (Ireland, ALDE) Chairperson by acclamation;
- left it to its chairperson to decide on the date and place of the next meeting.

Roberto Fasino, Rüdiger Dossow