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To the members of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

Synopsis

of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 29 and 30 September and on 1 October 2015

The Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, meeting in Strasbourg with Ms Adele Gambaro (Italy, ALDE) in the Chair,

- on Tuesday 29 September 2015 from 2 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., as regards:
- **Other business:** decided to open its 2015 meetings to the representatives of the Turkish Cypriot Community;

- Draft Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events (Rapporteur: Mr Valeri Jablianov, Bulgaria, SOC): heard the rapporteur's declaration of no conflict of interest; unanimously adopted a draft opinion and unanimously approved a report;

- **Platform to promote the protection of journalism and safety of journalists**: heard the presentation of the platform by Mr Matjaž Gruden, Policy Planning Director of the Council of Europe;

- **Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Gvozden Srećko Flego, Croatia, SOC*): held an exchange of views with Mr Alexander Warzilek, General Secretary of the Austrian Press Council and Mr Lutz Tillmanns, General Secretary of the German Press Council; heard via Internet Mr Mohamed Fadel Fahmy, journalist with Al-Jazeera, Egypt;

- References to the committee and appointment of rapporteurs:

 heard Ms Vesna Marjanović's declaration of no conflict of interest for the report on "New methods of political influence over independent journalism" (Doc. 13775);

• on Wednesday 30 September 2015 from 2 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., as regards:

- **Freedom of religion and living together in a democratic society** (Rapporteur: Mr Rafael Huseynov, Azerbaijan, ALDE): took position on 21 amendments to the draft resolution and 1 amendment to the draft recommendation;

- **Intellectual property rights in the digital era** (Rapporteur: Mr Axel E. Fischer, Germany, EPP/CD): considered an introductory memorandum;

- **Culture and democracy** (*Rapporteur: Ms Vesna Marjanović, Serbia, SOC*): held an exchange of views with Ms Amila Ramović, Executive Director of ARS AEVI, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sarajevo;

- **Council of Europe Museum Prize** (*Rapporteur: Ms Vesna Marjanović, Serbia, SOC*): heard a proposal, presented by the Chairperson on behalf of the rapporteur, to consider the introduction of a special recognition for small or medium size museums;

- References to the committee and appointment of rapporteurs:

- appointed Mr Jean-Yves Le Déaut (France, SOC) Rapporteur on "Technological convergence, artificial intelligence and human rights" (Doc. 13833), subject to his declaration of no conflict of interest;
- decided to postpone to the next meeting the appointment of the rapporteurs for opinion on "Preventing the radicalisation of children by fighting the root causes" (Doc. 13778) and on "Ending cyberdiscrimination and online hate" (Doc. 13828);
- took note of the reference on "Racism, xenophobia and related intolerance: challenges to global sporting events" (Doc. 13797) received for taking it into account in the preparation of the report on "Sport for all: a bridge to equality, integration and social inclusion";

- **Replies from the Committee of Ministers**: took note of the Reply from the Committee of Ministers (Doc. 13855) to Recommendation 2066 (2015) of the Parliamentary Assembly on "*Student mobility*" and asked the rapporteur, Mr Christian Barilaro (Monaco, EPP/CD), to examine the reply and prepare an analysis with proposals of follow-up to be discussed by the Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport;

- List of membership of the sub-committees: approved the changes in the membership of its sub-committees;¹

- Committee work programme:

Reports on recent events: was informed by:

- Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC), Rapporteur on "Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe", on the conference on public service media at the Croatian Parliament in Zagreb (24-25 September 2015);
- on Thursday 1 October 2015 from 2 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., as regards:

- **Rethinking the anti-doping strategy** (Rapporteur: Mr André Schneider, France, EPP/CD): took note that no amendments had been tabled to the draft resolution;

- **Promoting city-to-city cooperation in the field of culture** (Rapporteur: Alexander, The Earl of Dundee, United Kingdom, EC): unanimously adopted a draft resolution and unanimously approved a report;

- Access to school and education for all children (Rapporteur: Gvozden Srećko Flego, Croatia, SOC): considered a draft report and held an exchange of views with Professor David Little, Trinity College, Dublin and Ms Johanna Panthier, Language Policy Division, Council of Europe Directorate General of Democracy (DG II);

- Committee work programme:

Reports on recent events: was informed by:

Alexander, The Earl of Dundee (United Kingdom, EC), Rapporteur on "Promoting city-to-city cooperation in the field of culture", on the "C2C – City to city cooperation" workshop organised by the Council of Europe Centre of Expertise for Local Government Reform (DGII) in Dubrovnik, Croatia, (16 July 2015);

¹ Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage: Mr Axel E. Fischer (Germany, EPP/CD) who was alternate becomes member, replacing Mr Jürgen Hardt who left the committee; Mr Paolo Corsini (Italy, SOC) who was alternate becomes member, replacing Mr Khalid Chaouki who left the committee;

Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society: Mr Petri Honkonen (Finland, ALDE) becomes member;

Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport: Ms Anna ASCANI (Italy, SOC) who was alternate becomes member, replacing Mr Paolo CORSINI (Italy, SOC) who becomes alternate.

Designation of representatives for forthcoming events: designated,

subject to the availability of funds:

- Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC), Rapporteur on "Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe", to attend the annual conference of the Alliance of Independent Press Councils of Europe in Vienna (8-9 October 2015);
- Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC), Rapporteur on "Access to school and education for all', to attend the meeting of the UNESCO Education Commission in the framework of the 38th UNESCO General Conference in Paris (4-6 November 2015);
- Ms Vesna Marjanović (Serbia, SOC), Rapporteur on "*Culture and democracy*", to attend the 14th Assembly of experts of the Council of Europe on the Compendium of Cultural Policies and Trends in Europe in Wroclaw, Poland (12-13 November 2015);
- Ms Vesna Marjanović (Serbia, SOC), Rapporteur on the Council of Europe Museum Prize, to attend the European Museum Forum Jury meeting in Zagreb, Croatia (20-21 November 2015);
- Mr Hans Franken (Netherlands, PPE/DC), Rapporteur for follow-up on "Increasing co-operation against cyberterrorism and other large-scale attacks on the Internet" to attend the Council of Europe meeting of the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) in Strasbourg (1-2 December 2015);

with no costs for the Assembly:

- Ms Adele Gambaro (Italy, ALDE) to attend the conference on "How to protect Cultural Heritage" in Milano (4 October 2015);
- Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC) to attend the European Museum Forum Jury meeting in Zagreb, Croatia (20-21 November);
- Other business:

Extension of reference: decided to ask the Assembly Bureau for an extension of the reference of the report on *"Sport for all: a bridge to equality, integration and social inclusion"* until 1 July 2016;

World Forum for Democracy (18-20 November 2015): proposed Mr Claudio Fazzone (Italy, EPP/CD) as member to the ad hoc committee of the Bureau attending the World Forum for Democracy;

- **Next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

Sub-committee meetings:

Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage, Limassol, Cyprus, 26-27 October 2015 (meeting open to all committee members)

Committee meetings: Paris, 3-4 December 2015

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cc: Secretary General of the Assembly Director General, Director 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