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

Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 1 June 2016

The Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, meeting in Paris on Wednesday 1 June 2016 from 9 am to 4.15 pm with Mr Volodymyr Arieu (Ukraine, EPP/CD) in the Chair,

as regards:

- **References to the committee and appointment of rapporteurs:**
 - appointed Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE) rapporteur on *Good football governance (doc. 14027)*, and heard her declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
 - appointed Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) rapporteur for opinion on *Putting an end to sexual violence and street harassment (follow-up to Resolution 2093 (2016))*, and heard his declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
 - decided to request the Bureau to send it for report the motion for resolution on *The value of cultural heritage in a democratic society (doc. 14026)* tabled by Alexander, The Earl of Dundee (United Kingdom, CE);
 - heard the declaration of absence of conflict of interest by Ms Elvira Dobrinski-Weiss (Germany, SOC), rapporteur on *The status of journalists in Europe (Doc 13970)*;
- **Replies from the Committee of Ministers:** took note of:
 - the Reply from the Committee of Ministers (Doc. 14019) to Recommendation 2080 (2015) on *Freedom of religion and living together in a democratic society* and entrusted Ms Anne Brasseur to draft a proposal for a reply to the Committee of Ministers and submit it to the committee for approval in due course;
 - the Reply from the Committee of Ministers (Doc. 14055) to Recommendation 2077 (2015) on *Increasing co-operation against cyberterrorism and other large-scale attacks on the Internet* and asked the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society to prepare a short analyse with proposals of follow-up to be given and to report back to the committee;

- **Upholding media independence, investigative journalism and editorial integrity:** held a hearing with the participation of Ms Eloïse Lebourg, investigative journalist, co-manager of Mediacoop, France, Mr Jérôme Bouvier, Advisor in charge of press and information professions, media literacy and diversity, Ministry on Culture and Communication, France, Mr Ricardo Gutierrez, Secretary General of the European Federation of Journalists (EFJ), Brussels, Ms Jane Whyatt, Project Manager, European Centre for Press and Media Freedom (ECPMF), Leipzig, and Ms Marcella Smit, Ombudsman at the Dutch public broadcaster NOS, journalism teacher at the State University of Groningen;
- **Sport for all: a bridge to equality, integration and social inclusion** (*Rapporteur: Ms Carmen Quintanilla, Spain, EPP/CD*): in the absence of the rapporteur, took note of the explanatory memorandum, then adopted unanimously the draft resolution, thus approving the report;
- **Youth against corruption** (*Rapporteur: Ms Eleonora Cimbro, Italy, SOC*): took note of an information memorandum, and held an exchange of views with Ms Muriel Poisson, Head of Research and Development Team, International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP) of the UNESCO, and Mr Boris Divjak, Director, U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre, Norway;
- **List of membership of the sub-committees:** approved the changes in the membership of its sub-committees¹;
- **Committee work programme:**

Rapporteurs' fact-finding visits: subject to the availability of funds, approved the following visits, organised in the framework of the preparation of reports:

- visits by Ms Rózsa Hoffmann (Hungary, EPP/CD) rapporteur on *The protection and promotion of Regional or Minority Languages in Europe*, to Latvia at the end of June 2016, and to Italy beginning of October 2016 (dates to be agreed with the host authorities);
- visit by Mr Volodymyr Arieiev (Ukraine, EPP/CD), General rapporteur on *media freedom and safety of journalists* and rapporteur on *Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe*, to Hungary (dates to be agreed with the host authorities);

Designation of representatives for forthcoming events: took note of the designation by the Chairperson of Ms Vesna Marjanović (Serbia, SOC), rapporteur on *culture and democracy*, to attend the plenary meeting of the Steering Committee on culture, heritage and landscape (CDCPP) in Strasbourg on 13-14 June 2016, subject to the availability of funds;

Sub-committees: took note that:

- the Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage will meet in Strasbourg on 21 June 2016 during the 3rd part-session;
- The Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society will meet in Strasbourg on 21 June 2016 during the 3rd part-session, and in Berlin on 4 July for the Conference on Media Freedom as a Cornerstone for Democratic Elections;

- **Other business:**

- welcomed the intention of the Hungarian Parliament to invite the committee to meet in Budapest in 2017;
- took note that the deadline for nominations for the 2016 North-South Prize is 15 July 2016;
- took note that the deadline for the Vaclav Havel Human Rights Prize has been extended to 30 June 2016;
- took note that the next World Forum for Democracy to be held in Strasbourg, on 7-9 November 2016, will have as theme: "Education and democracy: how to bridge the social divides?"; the Committee will designate its representatives at the ad hoc committee of the Bureau during 3rd part-session (20-24 June 2016);

¹ *Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and sport:* Mr Ekmeleddin Mehmet İHSANOĞLU (Turkey, EC) who was full member becomes alternate to Mr Suat ÖNAL (Turkey, EC), Mr Josip BILAVÉR (Croatia, EPP/CD) becomes full member of the sub-committee;

Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society: Mr Axel FISCHER and Mr Michael HENNRICH, are no longer members of the sub-committee, Mr Josip BILAVÉR (Croatia, EPP/CD) becomes full member of the sub-committee;

Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage: Ms Sybille BENNING (Germany, EPP/CD) becomes the alternate of Mr Thomas FEIST (Germany, EPP/CD).

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

Strasbourg, 3rd part-session (20-24 June 2016)

Roberto Fasino, Ivi-Triin Odrats

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
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