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

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 22 September 2017

The Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, meeting in Paris on 22 September 2017 with Mr Volodymyr Arieu (Ukraine, EPP/CD) and then Mr Raphaël Comte (Switzerland, ALDE), first vice-president, in the Chair,

- on Friday 22 September 2017 from 9 am to 5.30 pm, as regards:
  - **The status of journalists in Europe:** (*Rapporteur: Ms Elvira Drobinski-Weiss, Germany, SOC*): in the absence of the rapporteur, considered an information memorandum and held an exchange of views with: Mr Marc Gruber, expert in media and communication (France); Ms Martine Simonis, Secretary general of the Association of Professional Journalists (Belgium); and Mr Fabrice Pozzoli-Montenay, Secretary General of the Association of European Journalists (French section);
  - **The protection of editorial integrity:** (*Rapporteur: Mr John Howell, United Kingdom, EC*): in the absence of the rapporteur, considered an expert report and held an exchange of views with: Mr William Horsley, Media Freedom representative of the Association of European Journalists, International Director of the Centre for Freedom of the Media, University of Sheffield (United Kingdom) and Mr Chris Elliott, Board member of the Ethical Journalism Network, former "Guardian" readers' editor (United Kingdom);
  - **Committee work programme:**
  - **Appointment of rapporteurs:** appointed M. Petri Honkonen (Finland, ALDE), rapporteur on "*The importance of public service broadcasting in the context of fake news, agitation and propaganda*" ([Doc. 14312](#)) and heard his declaration of absence of conflict of interests;
  - **Good football governance** (*Rapporteur: Ms Anne Brasseur, Luxembourg, ALDE*): considered two information memoranda and held a hearing in the presence of Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, with Mr Joachim Eckert, former Chairperson of the Adjudicatory Chamber of the FIFA Ethics Committee and Mr Cornel Borbély, former Chairperson of the Investigatory Chamber of the FIFA Ethics Committee;
  - **Good football governance** (*Rapporteur: Ms Anne Brasseur, Luxembourg, ALDE*) and **Need for better international sports governance** (*Rapporteur: Mr Mogens Jensen, Denmark, SOC*): in the absence of Mr Jensen, rapporteur, agreed to change the title of the report to "Working towards a framework for modern sports governance" then took note of the revised information memorandum and held a joint hearing on "*Does brand image push for better governance? Reactions of sponsors, sports business and broadcasters to the recent wave of scandals in sports*", in the presence of Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, with: Mr Misha Sher, Worldwide Vice President, Sport and Entertainment, Mediacom, London (United Kingdom) as moderator; Mr Hans-Willy Brockes, Managing Director, ESB Marketing Network AG (Switzerland); Mr Matthias Remund, Director and expert in sport sponsoring, Ministry of Sports (Switzerland) and Mr Toby Hester, Head Coach, Sponsorship Coach Ltd (United Kingdom);

- **Committee work programme:**

**Approval of rapporteurs' fact finding visits:** approved, subject to the availability of funds, Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE), rapporteur on *Good football governance*, to meet with an expert and the Secretary General of FIFA on 13 October in Zurich and with the new chairpersons of FIFA Ethics Committee and other FIFA high officials, in Zurich (Switzerland, 16 October 2017).

**Designation of representatives for forthcoming events:** designated,

subject to the availability of funds:

- Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE), to attend the International Conference on "Religious and cultural pluralism and peaceful coexistence in the Middle East", Athens (29-31 October 2017);
- Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE), to attend the 2017 Council of Europe Exchange on the religious dimension of intercultural dialogue, "Migrants and refugees: challenges and opportunities - What role for religious and non-religious groups?", in Strasbourg (6-7 November 2017);

- **World Forum for Democracy – Strasbourg, 8-10 November 2017:** took note of the dates and the draft programme of the next forum on the theme "*Is Populism a problem?*" and designated the following member to be appointed to the *ad hoc* Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly: Mr Claudio Fazzone (Italy, EPP/CD);

- **Replies from the Committee of Ministers:** took note of the Reply from the Committee of Ministers (Doc. 14393) to Recommendation 2097 (2017) "*Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe*" and decided to ask the rapporteur and the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society to examine the reply, to prepare a short analysis with proposals of follow-up to be given and to report back to the committee;

- **Next meetings:**

*Meetings of the Committee*

- Strasbourg, 4<sup>th</sup> part-session (9-13 October 2017)
- Budapest, 4-5 December 2017

*Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport*

- Strasbourg, 4<sup>th</sup> part-session (9-13 October 2017) (*to be confirmed*)

*Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society*

- Budapest, 6 December 2017

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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  
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