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

Synopsis of the meeting held in Grenada, Spain, on 4 March 2019

The **Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media**, meeting in Grenada, 4 March 2019 with Ms María Concepción de Santa Ana, (Spain, EPP/CD) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Opening of the meeting:** heard statements from Ms Carmen Leyte, President of the Spanish Delegation at the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Ms Concepción de Santa Ana, Chairperson of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and Ms Patricia del Pozo Fernández, Minister of Culture and Heritage of the Andalusian Government;
- **Appointment of General Rapporteurs:** appointed Mr Olivier Becht (France, ALDE) General Rapporteur on Science and Technology Impact Assessment and heard his declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
- **Social media: social threads or threats to human rights?** (*Rapporteur: Mr José Cepeda, Spain, SOC*): took note of the explanatory memorandum, then amended and unanimously adopted a draft resolution thus approving the report;
- **Jewish cultural heritage preservation** (*Rapporteur: Mr Raphaël Comte, Switzerland, ALDE*): in the absence of the rapporteur, considered an expert report and held an exchange of views with the participation of Dame Helen Hyde DBE, Chairperson of the Foundation for Jewish Heritage, London, and of Mr Michael Mail, Chief Executive of this Foundation;
- **Committee work programme:**

Reports on recent meetings: heard Lord George Foulkes (United Kingdom, SOC), General Rapporteur on Media Freedom and Safety of Journalists, on a series of initiatives that the United Kingdom Government will undertake this year in the area of freedom of the media and the safety of journalists; took note, in particular, of an event scheduled on 11-12 July 2019 in London, at which the Foreign Office would welcome the participation of the committee;
- **Sub-Committees:** was informed by Ms Nino Gogvadze (Georgia, EC), Chairperson of the Sub-committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage, of the invitation of the Swiss delegation to hold a joint meeting with the Sub-committee on Media and Information Society, on 21 June 2019 in Bern; decided to accept this invitation and to ask for the authorisation of the Bureau of the Parliamentary Assembly;
- **Media education in the new media environment** (*Rapporteur: Ms Nino Gogvadze, Georgia, EC*): considered an expert report and held a hearing with the participation of Mr Tarlach McGonagle, Senior researcher/lecturer, Institute for Information Law (IViR), University of Amsterdam, Mr Tom Law, Director of Campaigns and Communications, Ethical Journalism Network, Kingston upon Thames, and

Mr Stéphane Hoebeke, Lawyer at the Legal Department, Head of Media Education, Belgian Radio-Television of the French Community (RTBF), Brussels;

- **Composition of sub-committees:** approved the following change in the composition of the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society: Mr Olivier Becht (France, ALDE), who was alternate, becomes a full member, replacing Mr Adrien Taquet who has left the Parliamentary Assembly;

- **Committee work programme:**

Appointment of representatives for forthcoming events:

appointed, subject to available funding:

- Mr Olivier Becht (France, ALDE), General Rapporteur on Science and Technology Impact Assessment, to participate in the meeting of EPTA Directors, on 13-14 Mai 2019 in the Skåne region, Sweden;
- Ms Nino Gogvadze, Representative of the committee for the Council of Europe Museum Prize, to attend the Award Ceremony of the European Museum of the Year (EMYA), on 24-25 May 2019 in Sarajevo;

took note of the participation of:

- Mr Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), Representative of the Assembly to the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity (North-South Centre), in the 20th Bureau meeting of the North-South Centre, on 5 April in Strasbourg;
 - Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC), Representative of the Assembly to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), in the 78th plenary meeting of ECRI, on 2-4 April 2019 in Strasbourg;
- **Other business:** heard Lord George Foulkes, 1st Vice-Chairperson of the committee, who thanked Ms Carmen Leyte, President of the Spanish Delegation at the PACE and Ms Concepción de Santa Ana, Chairperson of the committee, for the warm welcome and hospitality of the Spanish Parliament, and the secretariat of the Spanish Delegation for the very efficient organisation of the meeting;
 - **Next meetings:** took note of the next meetings of the committee:
 - Strasbourg, 2nd part-session (8-12 April 2019),
 - Paris, 27-28 May 2019,
 - Strasbourg, 3rd part-session (24-28 June 2019),
 - Strasbourg, 4th part-session (30 September-4 October 2019),
 - Paris, 5-6 December 2019 (*tbc*).

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