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

Synopsis

of the meeting held in Paris on 27 and 28 May 2019

The Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, meeting in Paris on 27 and 28 May 2019, with Lord George Foulkes (United Kingdom, SOC) and Ms Ulviyye Aghayeva (Azerbaijan, FDG) in the Chair,

Monday 27 May 2019 from 9 am to 5.30 pm, as regards:

- **Composition of sub-committees:** approved the following changes:

Sub-Committee of Culture, Diversity and Heritage:

- Ms Alina Stefania Gorghiu (Romania, EPP/CD) becomes full member in place of Mr Ion Popa (Romania, EPP/CD) and Mr Ion Popa (Romania, ALDE) becomes alternate to Ms Alina Stefania Gorghiu (Romania, EPP/CD) replacing Mr Andrei Nicolae (Romania, SOC),
- Mr Miltiadis Varvitsiotis (Greece, EPP/CD) becomes full member;

Sub-committee on Education, Youth and Sport:

- Mr Jaroslav Bžoch, (Czech Republic, ALDE) becomes full member
- Mr Georgios Mavrotas (Greece, SOC) becomes full member in place of Ms Elissavet Skoufa (Greece, UEL):

Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society:

- Mr Georgios Kyriasis (Greece, UEL) becomes full member,
- Ms Miroslava Němcová (Czech Republic, EC) becomes full member;

- **Media education in the new media environment** (*Rapporteur: Ms Nino Gogvadze, Georgia, EC*): considered a revised expert report and held a hearing with the participation of Ms Martina Chapman, Independent consultant on Education and media, Ireland, Ms Divina Frau-Meigs, Professor, Expert in media education, Sorbonne, Paris, Mr Giacomo Mazzone, Head of Institutional and Member Relations, European Broadcasting Union (EBU), Geneva and Ms Sharon Stokes, Head of the BBC Young Reporter, London; took note of the communication of the rapporteur regarding the programme of the joint meeting of the Sub-committee on culture, diversity and heritage and the Sub-committee on media and information society, which will be held on 21 June in Berne, with the participation of Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly;

- **The role of education in the digital era: from “digital natives” to “digital citizens”** (*Rapporteur: Mr Constantinos Efstathiou, Cyprus, SOC*): considered a preliminary draft report;

- **New forms of public debate on the ethical aspects of rapid advances in science and technology** (*Rapporteur: Mr Stefan Schennach, Austria, SOC*): held an exchange of views with the participation of Mr Lars Klüver, Director, Danish Technology Counsel, Copenhagen, and Mr Jean-François Delfraissy, President, National Ethical Consultative Committee for life sciences and health (CCNE), Paris;

- **Jewish cultural heritage preservation** (*Rapporteur: Mr Raphaël Comte, Switzerland, ALDE*) considered a preliminary draft report
- **Threats to academic freedom and autonomy of universities in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Mr Koloman Brenner, Hungary, NR*): held a hearing with the participation of Mr Terence Karran, Senior Academic and Director of Research, School of Education, University of Lincoln, United Kingdom;

Tuesday 28 May 2019 from 9 am to 1 pm as regards:

- **Threats to media freedom and journalists' security in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Lord George Foulkes, United Kingdom, SOC*): considered an expert report and held a hearing with the participation of Mr Marc Gruber, Expert on media and communication, Strasbourg, Mr Giacomo Mazzone, Head of Institutional and Member Relations, European Broadcasting Union (EBU), Geneva, Mr Ricardo Gutiérrez, Secretary General, European Federation of journalists, Brussels, and Mr Thomas Friang, Advocacy Officer, Reporters Without Borders, Paris;

- **Committee work programme:**

References to the committee and appointment of rapporteurs: took note that Mr Georgios Mavrotas (Greece, SOC) who was again member of the Parliamentary Assembly and of the committee and wished to be reappointed as rapporteur on "Strengthening the link between popular sports events and cultural heritage" ([Doc.14218](#)) and, at his request, postponed the appointment to the next meeting of the committee;

Reports on recent meetings:

Appointment of representatives for forthcoming events:

took note of the participation of:

- Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC), Assembly representative to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), at the plenary meeting of ECRI, 18-21 June 2019, in Strasbourg;
- Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), Assembly representative to the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity (North South Centre), at the meeting of the North South Centre, 21 June 2019, in Strasbourg;

Sub-Committees: was informed by the Chairperson of an invitation on behalf of the Foreign Office of the United Kingdom, addressed to the Sub-committee on Media and Information Society and also to all interested members of the Parliamentary Assembly, to the conference on the Freedom of the Media and security of journalists, organised in London, 10-11 July 2019; decided to ask the Bureau of the Assembly for authorisation to hold a meeting of the sub-committee in question on this occasion;

- **Any other business:**

- took note of the dates of the next World Forum on the theme "Information and Democracy" which will be held in Strasbourg on 6-8 November 2019 and designated Mr Raphaël Comte (Switzerland, ALDE) to be appointed to the *ad hoc* Committee of the Bureau to participate in the Forum;
- took note that Ms María Concepción de Santa Ana has not been re-elected; expressed its sincere thanks for the commitment and the work of Ms de Santa Ana as Chairperson of the Committee, as well as of Ms Gülsün Bilgehan, former Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society;

- **Next meetings:** took note of the next meetings:

of the committee:

Strasbourg, 3rd part-session (24-28 June 2019)

Strasbourg, 4th part-session (30 September-4 October 2019)

Paris, 5-6 December 2019

of the sub-committees:

Bern, Switzerland, 21 June 2019, Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage and Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society;

London, United Kingdom, 10-11 July 2019, Global Conference for Media Freedom (*subject to authorisation from the Bureau*).

The Sub-committee on Education, Youth and Sport (of the Committee of Culture, Science, Education and Media, meeting in Paris on 27 May 2019 from 12h30 to 12h45, with Lord George Foulkes (United Kingdom, SOC) oldest person present and then Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC) in the Chair:

As regards;

- **Election of the Bureau of the Sub-Committee:** elected by acclamation:
 - Mr Georgious Mavrotas (Greece, SOC) Chairperson, in his absence,
 - Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC) Vice-Chairperson

- **Next meeting:** decided to leave it to the Chairperson to convene the next meeting.

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