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## FOR THE ATTENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT

Secretariat of the Assembly

Synopsis No. 2011/03 17 March 2011

The Committee on Economic Affairs and Development, meeting in Paris on 16 March 2011, with Mrs Naghdalyan in the chair as regards:

- Activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2010-2011 (Rapporteur: Mrs Biruté Vésaité, Lithuania, SOC): held an exchange of views on the reply presented by the OECD to the Enlarged Assembly's Resolution 1758 (2010) with the participation of Mr de Mello, Economic Counsellor to the Chief Economist of the OECD and heard a presentation by Mrs Vésaité (Lithuania, Soc) on her fact-finding visit to the OECD (15 March) and her outline for a report;
- Over-indebtedness of States: a danger for democracy and human rights (*Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD*): considered, modified and adopted a preliminary draft recommendation and a draft report with the view to presenting them at the April 2011 part-session of the Assembly;
- Budgetary prospects for the financial years 2012-2013 (Rapporteur: Mr Erol Aslan Cebeci, Turkey, EPP/CD): held an exchange of views with the participation of Mrs Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe and Ambassador Irma Ertman, Chairperson of the Rapporteur Group on Programme, Budget and Administration (GR-PBA) of the Committee of Ministers;
- Halting the sharp decline in youth employment (Rapporteur: Mrs Marija Pejčinović-Burić, Croatia, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the rapporteur on her revised report and held an exchange of views with the participation of Ms Glenda Quintini, expert on youth labour market issues at the Division of Employment Policy Reviews of the OECD and Mr Rui Duarte, representative of the European Youth Forum (Brussels);
- **Promoting microcredit for a more social economy** (Rapporteur: Mr Márton Braun, Hungary, EPP/CD): held an exchange of views on a revised draft report including a preliminary draft resolution;
- Input for local development: an innovative approach for crisis-stricken regions (Rapporteur: Mr Giuseppe Galati, Italy, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the Rapporteur on his revised memorandum;
- Work programme of the Committee: heard a brief account by its Chairperson on the meeting of the Bureau on 11 March, took note of a memorandum prepared by the Secretariat under the instructions of the Chairperson on the priorities for the Committee's work in 2011 and decided to return to this item at its next meeting;
  - decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

## **Main Committee**:

- Strasbourg, 2nd part-session 2011 (11-15 April 2011);
- Reggio di Calabria, Italy, 20-21 May 2011;
- Strasbourg, 3rd part-session 2011 (20-24 June 2011);
- Paris, 17June 2011;
- Strasbourg, 4th part-session 2011 (3-7 October 2011).

## **Sub-Committee on International Economic Relations:**

- Geneva (participation in the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO), 21-22 March 2011.

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