

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND MEN**

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**The Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men**, meeting in Budapest on 24-25 February 2003 with Mrs Err (Luxembourg, SOC) in the Chair:

As regards:

- *So-called honour crimes* (Rapporteur: Ms Cryer, United Kingdom SOC): considered and adopted a draft resolution;
- *Rights of women and ethical, socio-cultural risks and consequences of new technologies based on women's eggs and embryos* (Rapporteur: Ms Aguiar, Portugal, EPP): regarding the facts that the Rapporteur would like to continue the work on the report and that the delay of the reference of this report will come to the end in March 2003, decided to prepare a new motion on this subject;
- *Migration connected with trafficking in women and prostitution* (Rapporteur: Ms Zwerver, Netherlands, SOC): considered a draft report;
- *Appointment of representatives to meetings organised by other bodies*: Mr Mooney (Ireland, LDR) to the *Seminar on the participation of young women in political life*, (European Youth Centre, Strasbourg, 16-17 September 2003);
- *Participation of representatives to meetings organised by other bodies*: took note of a statement by Mrs Cliveti (Romania, SOC) on her participation in the 5<sup>th</sup> *European Ministerial Conference on Equality between Women and Men*, Skopje, 22-23 January 2003
- *Situation of women in the countries of post-communism transition* (Rapporteur: Ms Kósa-Kóvács, Hungary, SOC): *held a hearing with the participation of:*
  - o Ms Katalin LEVAI, Ministry of Employment and Labour,
  - o Mr Gábor KARDOS, University Professor
  - o Ms Maria FREY, Office for Employment Research Bureau,
  - o Dr Andrea PETO, Professor at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Sociology

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- *Risks and chances of women in family mediation* (Rapporteur: Ms Err, Luxembourg, SOC): held a hearing with the participation of:
  - o Ms Michèle GUILLAUME-HOFNUNG, Professeur à l'Université Paris XI Paris (France)
  - o Ms Antonia HAGA, Foundation " Partners Hungary", family mediator
  - o Ms Birgit WEINMANN-LUTZ, Dr phil.Dipl.-Psych., Institut für Lehrerinnen und Lehrerbildung Kanton und Universität Bern (Switzerland)
  - o Ms Brigitte E.S. CHIN-A-FAT, Faculty of Law, Department Private law, (Netherlands)
  
- *Its work programme:*
  - o was informed by the Secretariat that Mrs Kleinsorge will replace Mrs Nollinger as Secretary of the Committee from 1 March 2003;
  - o was informed by Mrs Zwerver on the time-table of her fact-finding mission to Armenia in the framework of the preparation of the report on the impact of the reinstatement of the Mexico City Policy by President Bush of the united States of America;
  - o took note of the statement on the meeting of the Working Group on the Committee working methods, which was held on 23 February 2003 and of the letter from the President of the Parliamentary Assembly to the Committee chairpersons;
  
- *Next meetings:* decided to meet in:
  - Strasbourg, during the 2003 2<sup>nd</sup> part-session (31 March-4 April) ;
  - Bucharest, 24-27 May 2003 – *subject to the Bureau's authorisation-*
  - Strasbourg, during the 2003 3<sup>rd</sup> part-session (23-27 June)
  - Strasbourg, during the 2003 4<sup>th</sup> part-session (29 September-3 October).

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