

**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 Strasbourg on 24-25 June 2003 with Mrs Err (Luxembourg, SOC) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *The Council of Europe and the Convention on the future of Europe*: appointed Mrs Err (Luxembourg, SOC) rapporteur and approved the opinion of the Committee, as well as four amendments to the draft resolution tabled by the Political Affairs Committee;
- *Impact of the "Mexico City Policy" on the free choice of contraception in Europe* (Rapporteur: Mrs Zwerver, Netherlands, SOC) : considered a draft report;
- *The situation of women in the countries of post-communism transition* (Rapporteur: Mrs Kósa-Kóvács, Hungary, SOC): considered an introductory memorandum;
- *Migration connected with trafficking in women and prostitution* (Rapporteur: Ms Zwerver, Netherlands, SOC) : took position on the amendments tabled, and decided to present two additional oral amendments;
- *European Convention on action against trafficking in human beings*: held an exchange of views with:
 - Ambassador Ter Stepanian, Rapporteur on Equality between Women and Men of the Committee of Ministers
 - Deputy Secretary General Maud de Boer-Buquicchio;
- *Representatives to meetings organised by other bodies*, appointed :
 - Mrs Patarkalishvili (Georgia, EPP) and Mrs Čurdová (Czech Republic, SOC) to take part in the Seminar on "*Implementation in Georgia of the Recommendation on balanced participation of women and men to political and public decision making : more women in Parliament*" organised by the Council of Europe, Tbilissi (Georgia), 10-11 July 2003 – *without expenses for the Assembly*- ;

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- *Appointment of rapporteurs:*

- Mr Gaburro (Italy, EPP), for report on *domestic slavery*, in the framework of Order 575 (2001);

- *Next meetings:* decided to meet in:

- Paris, Council of Europe Office, Friday 5 September 2003 ;
- Strasbourg, during the 2003 4th part-session (Thursday, 25 September – Thursday, 2 October)
- Paris, Council of Europe office, Friday 14 November 2003;
- Paris, Council of Europe office, December 2003/January 2004 (*to be determined*).

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