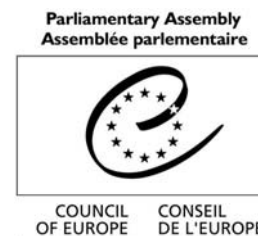


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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND MEN

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The Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men, meeting in Paris on 11 and 12 March 2004 with Mrs Cliveti (Romania, SOC) and Mrs Zapfl-Helbling (Switzerland, EPP/CD) (during the discussion on “conflict prevention and resolution: the role of women”), in the Chair:

As regards:

- *Conflict prevention and resolution: the role of women* (Rapporteur: Ms Cliveti, Romania, SOC): declassified the minutes of the open colloquy held in Strasbourg on 27 January 2004, considered a revised draft report prepared by the Rapporteur and unanimously adopted a draft recommendation and a draft resolution, with a view to the presentation of the report during the April 2004 part-session of the Assembly;
- *Women's participation in elections* (Rapporteur: Mr Mooney, Ireland, LDR): considered an introductory memorandum prepared by the Rapporteur;
- *Implementation of Resolution 1348 (2003) on gender-balanced representation in the Parliamentary Assembly*: took note of a non-paper prepared by the Chairperson and asked its Sub-Committee on equal participation of women and men in decision-making to meet during the April 2004 part-session and consider what further steps should be taken;
- *Sub-committee on equal participation of women and men in decision-making*: appointed Mrs Mikutiene (Lithuania, LDR) as a new member;
- *Appointment of representatives* :
 - *4th Council Meeting of the Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development* (Ankara, 1-4 April 2004): appointed Mrs Aguiar (Portugal, EPP/CD) (*with no costs for the Parliamentary Assembly*) and, should she not be available, left it to the Chairperson to appoint a representative ;
- *Domestic slavery: servitude, au pairs and mail-order brides* (Rapporteur: Mr Gaburro, Italy, EPP/CD): held a colloquy on the subject with the participation of:
 - Ms Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
 - Ms Birte Domenge, President of the International Au Pair Association (IAPA)
 - Mrs Marie-Cécile Vadeau-Ducher, Chairperson of the European Committee for Social Cohesion (Council of Europe)
 - Ms Nicole Gauthier, President of the French Au Pair Union (UFAAP)
 - Dr Bridget Anderson, expert, Oxford University (United Kingdom)
 - Mrs Alba Dini Martino, expert, Pontifical Gregorian University (Italy)

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- Ms Sylvie O'Dy, President of the NGO "CCEM" (Committee against Modern Slavery) (France)
- Professor Louise Langevin, Faculty of Law, University Laval, Québec, Canada
- Professor Marie-Claire Belleau, Faculty of Law, University Laval, Québec, Canada
- Mr Patrick Teissier du Cros, Manager of the private Internet agency "French Romance"

and asked its Rapporteur to present a draft report to the Committee for adoption at its next meeting in Paris on 5 April 2004 (with a view to its presentation to the Assembly during the April 2004 part-session);

- *Next meetings:* decided to meet in:

- Paris (Council of Europe Office), Monday, 5 April 2004;
- Strasbourg, during the 2nd part of the 2004 ordinary session (26-30 April);
- Prague (Czech Republic), 22-25 May 2004;
- Strasbourg, during the 3rd part of the 2004 ordinary session (21-25 June);
- Paris (Council of Europe Office), Friday, 10 September 2004.

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