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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 Prague on 24 and 25 May 2004 with Mrs Cliveti (Romania, SOC) in the Chair:

As regards,

- *Women's participation in elections* (Rapporteur: Mr Mooney, Ireland, LDR) : considered a draft report prepared by the Rapporteur and unanimously adopted a draft recommendation with a view to the presentation of the report during the June 2004 part-session of the Assembly;
- *Involvement of men, especially young men, in reproductive health* (Rapporteur: Mrs Zapfl-Helbling, Switzerland, EPP/CD): considered a draft report prepared by the Rapporteur and unanimously adopted a draft resolution with a view to the presentation of the report at the Standing Committee in Oslo, on 7 September 2004;
- *Women and religion in Europe* (Rapporteur: Mrs Aguiar, Portugal, EPP/CD): decided to organise a hearing on this subject at its meeting in Paris on Friday 10 September 2004;
- *Appointment of Rapporteurs*: appointed Mrs Err (Luxembourg, SOC), for report, on *promoting a United Nations 5th World Conference on Women*;
- *Appointment of representatives to meetings organised by other bodies*: left it to the Chairperson to appoint a representative to the *30th meeting of the Steering Committee for Equality between Women and Men* (CDEG), Strasbourg, 16-18 June 2004;
- *A campaign to combat domestic violence in Europe* (Rapporteur: Mr Branger, France, EPP/CD): visited a shelter for women and children in Kostelec near Hluboká nad Vitavou (on 23 May 2004), and held a hearing on this subject with the participation of :
 - ✓ Mr Miloslav Koudelný, Deputy Minister of Interior, Czech Republic
 - ✓ Mrs Hilary Fisher, Amnesty International, United Kingdom
 - ✓ Ms Petra Švecová, co-ordinator on a campaign against domestic violence, Rosa Foundation, Czech Republic
 - ✓ Ms Verena Kaselitz, Women Against Violence in Europe (WAVE), Austria
 - ✓ Mrs Geraldina Palovčíková, expert from the Ministry of the Interior, Czech Republic
 - ✓ NGO representatives

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- *Gender budgeting* (Rapporteur : Mrs Čurďová, Czech Republic, SOC): held a hearing on this subject with the participation of :

- ✓ Mr Zdeněk Škromach, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Czech Republic
- ✓ Mr Čestmír Sajda, Deputy Minister of European Integration and International Relations
- ✓ Ms Gabriele Michalitsch, Chairperson of the Group of Specialists on Gender Budgeting, Council of Europe, Austria
- ✓ Ms Michaela Foltysová and Mr Marek Pavlík, experts from the Ministry of Finance, Czech Republic
- ✓ Ms Elizabeth Villagómez, Economic Consultant to the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), Spain
- ✓ NGO representatives

- *Next meetings*: decided to meet in:

- Strasbourg, during the 2004 3rd part-session of the Assembly (21-25 June)
- Paris (Council of Europe Office), Friday 10 September 2004
- Strasbourg, during the 2004 4th part-session of the Assembly (4-8 October)
- Paris (Council of Europe Office), Friday 10 December 2004 (*to be confirmed*)
- Paris (Council of Europe Office), Friday 14 January 2005 (*to be confirmed*)

The Sub-committee on equal participation of women and men in decision-making, meeting in Prague on Monday, 24 May 2004 from 2 to 2.30 pm with Mrs Aguiar (Portugal, EPP/CD), in the Chair:

As regards:

- *Implementation of Resolution 1348 (2003) on gender-balanced representation in the Parliamentary Assembly*: held an exchange of views on the procedure to be followed and decided, as a first step, to invite the Chairpersons of the four Committees with less than 15% female Rapporteurs to an exchange of views during the June 2004 part-session;

- decided to hold its *next meeting* in :

- Strasbourg, during the 2004 3rd part-session of the Assembly (21-25 June), preferably on Monday, 21 June 2004, at 2 pm.

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