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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination
Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities

To the members of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Synopsis
of the meeting held in Bucharest
on 21 November 2017

The **Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities**, meeting in Bucharest on 21 November 2017, with Mr Damien Thiéry (Belgium, ALDE) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Welcome address:** heard introductory addresses by Mr Viorel-Riceard Badea (Romania, EPP/CD), Mr Cornel Popa, Vice-President of the Senate of Romania and Mr Damien Thiéry, Chair of the Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities;
- **Representation of persons belonging to national minorities in the decision-making process:** held a round table with the participation of Mr Alexandru-Victor Micula, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania, Mr Varujan Pambuccian, Deputy, Leader of the Parliamentary Group of National Minorities, Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Romania, Mr Attila Korodi, Deputy, Leader of the Democratic Alliance of Hungarians in Romania and Ms Mariana Buceanu, Advisor, Public Policy Directorate, National Agency for Roma;
- **Promoting the rights of persons belonging to national minorities** (*Rapporteur: Mr Viorel-Riceard Badea, Romania, EPP/CD*): held a hearing on ratification of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities with the participation of Ms Petra Roter, President of the Advisory Committee of the Framework Convention and Ms Maria Telalian, Head of Legal Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Greece.
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** left it to the Chairperson to propose the date and time of the next meeting.

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