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## To the Members of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

### Synopsis

**The Sub-Committee on Criminal Problems and the Fight against Terrorism** (of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights), meeting in The Hague on 27 and 28 April 2006, with Mr Bartumeu Cassany (Andorra, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Study visit to the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia:**
  - heard a presentation on the mandate and activities of the Tribunal by Mr Christian Chartier, Head of publications and visits;
  - held an exchange of views with:
    - Mr Hans Holthuis, Registrar,
    - Mrs Carla Del Ponte, Prosecutor,
    - Mr David Tolbert, Deputy Prosecutor,
    - Mr Fausto Pocar, Judge, President of the Tribunal
  - attended the hearing in the trial of Jadranko Prlić, Bruno Stojić, Slobodan Praljak, Milivoj Petkovic, Valentin Ćorić and Berislav Pusić;
- **Hearing on the work of the International Criminal Court (ICC):** held an exchange of views with
  - Mr Philippe Kirsch, President of the ICC and Mr Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor General of the ICC (*in camera*)
  - Representatives of NGOs:
    - Mrs Géraldine Mattioli, International Justice Advocate, HRW
    - Mrs Luisa Mascia, Europe Coordinator, Coalition for the ICC
    - Mr Christopher Keith Hall, Senior Legal Adviser – International Justice Project, Amnesty International
- **Next meeting:** left it to its Chairperson to decide the date and time of the next meeting.

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**The Sub-Committee on Rights of Minorities** (of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights), meeting in The Hague on 28 April 2006 at 9 h 30, with Mr Cilevičs (Latvia, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities:** held an exchange of views with Mr Rolf Ekeus, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities;
- **Hearing on the use of minority languages in the broadcast media:** heard statements by:
  - Mr Rolf Ekeus, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
  - Mr Robert Dunbar, Expert with the secretariat of the Council of Europe European Charter for regional or minority languages; Reader in Law at Aberdeen University
  - Mr Tarlach McGonagle, Institute for Information Law, Faculty of Law of the University of Amsterdam
  - Mr Antti Korkeakivi, Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities
  - Mr Leonid Raihman, International Policy Fellow, Open Society Institute (OSI)
  - Mr Dmitry Golovanov, Lawyer at the Moscow Media Law and Policy Institute;
- **Next meeting:**
  - Budapest (Hungary), 17 May 2006 at 14 h (Council of Europe European Youth Centre).

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