



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION, REFUGEES AND DEMOGRAPHY

SECRETARIAT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

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The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Demography, meeting in Strasbourg on 27 June 2002 with Mr Einarsson (Sweden, UEL) in the Chair:

As regards:

- *Situation in the Middle East* (Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Iwiński, Poland, SOC): formally approved its opinion and confirmed the support for amendments tabled on its behalf;
- *Situation of refugees and displaced persons in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia* (Rapporteur: Mrs Vermot-Mangold, Switzerland, SOC): considered and took a stand on the amendments to the draft Recommendation;
- *Situation of refugees and displaced persons in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia* (Rapporteur: Mr Cilevičs, Latvia, SOC): considered and took a stand on the amendments to the draft Recommendation;
- *Creation of a charter of intent against clandestine migration* (Rapporteur: Mr Wilkinson, United Kingdom, EDG): decided to modify the title of the report into 'Creation of a charter of intent on clandestine migration', approved a draft report, adopted a draft recommendation and took note of the withdrawal of a draft resolution;
- *Freedom of movement in member States of the Council of Europe for holders of temporary residence permits in a member State* (Rapporteur: Mrs Aguiar, Portugal, EPP): considered a memorandum;
- *The specific situation of young migrants* (Rapporteur: Mr Yáñez-Barnuevo, Spain, SOC): heard a presentation of the project "Ballons Rouges" by Mr Mário Martins (Director, DG IV Youth and Sport, Council of Europe); heard a statement by Mrs Antje Rothemund (Executive Director of the European Youth Centre Budapest) and considered a memorandum;
- *Common policy on migration and asylum* (Rapporteur: Mr Hancock, United Kingdom, LDR): considered an introductory memorandum and authorised the Rapporteur to conduct a visit to Germany and Poland (at the frontier with Germany) before the September-part session;

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- *Receiving conditions and capacities in European seaports for asylum seekers* (Rapporteur: Mr Danieli, Italy, LDR): heard an oral statement by the Rapporteur and Mr Agramunt, Chair of the sub-Committee on Refugees, on the Conference on the arrival of asylum seekers at European seaports and coastal areas (Lecce, 30-31 May 2002) as well as an account of Mr Yáñez-Barnuevo on his visit to Algeciras, Tarifa and Ceuta (17-18 June 2002);
- *Humanitarian situation of refugees and displaced persons in the Middles East* (Rapporteur: Mr Akselsen, Norway, SOC): clarified that the visit of the Rapporteur to the region authorised in the meeting of 25 June should include Syria and possibly other countries in the region, and authorised that the Rapporteur be accompanied by two other members of the Committee at the expenses of national delegations, subject to authorisation by the Bureau;
- *Membership of sub-Committees*: took note of the modification in the composition of its sub-committees;
- *Preparation of a joint meeting with the Committee on Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament – Hearing on Irregular Migration and Irregular Migrants* (Brussels, 3-4 October 2002): took note of a draft programme;
- *Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe*: took note of the Congress' work on "the participation of foreign residents in local politic life: consultative bodies";
- *Dates and places of the next meetings*:
 - Helsinki, 16-17 September 2002, Sub-Committee on Migration, 7th Conference of European Ministers responsible for Migration Affairs
 - Strasbourg, during the 4th part of the session 2002 (23-27.9.2002)
 - Brussels, 3-4 October 2002 (*subject to authorisation by the Bureau*) Plenary Committee, joint meeting with the [Committee on Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs](#) of the European Parliament, Hearing on irregular migration and irregular migrants
 - Budapest (European Youth Centre), 17-18 December 2002 (*subject to authorisation by the Bureau*).

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As regards:

- *7th Conference of European Ministers responsible for Migration Affairs (Helsinki, 16-17 September 2002)*: considered a draft programme for the next meeting of the Sub-Committee and heard a statement on the preparation of the Ministerial Conference by Mrs Maria OCHOA-LLIDÓ, Head of Migration and Roma/Gypsies Division, Council of Europe;
- *Dates and places of the next meetings*:
 - Helsinki, 16-17 September 2002, Sub-Committee on Migration, 7th Conference of European Ministers responsible for Migration Affairs.

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