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The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population, meeting in Hermosillo and Nogales (Sonora) (Mexico) on 29-31 March 2004, with first Mr Wilkinson (United Kingdom, EDG), then Mr Branger (France, EPP/CD) and Mr Iwiński (Poland, SOC) in the Chair:

As regards:

- Euro-Mexican parliamentary Forum on migration: heard statements by and held exchanges of views with:
 - Mr Eduardo BOURS CASTELO, Governor of the State of Sonora
 - Mr Miguel Angel BUSTAMANTE, Chairman of the Committee on Human Rights of the State of Sonora
 - Dr Sergio GARCÍA RAMÍREZ, Chairman of the Inter-American Human Rights Court
 - Sen.Laura Alicia GARZA GALINDO, Chairperson of the Mexican Senate Committee on External Relations, Europe and Africa
 - Sen. Ricardo GERARDO HIGUERA, Chairman of the Mexican Senate Committee on External Relations and on international non governmental organisations
 - Dep. Rebeca GODÍNEZ BRAVO, Chairperson of the Committee on Justice and Human Rights of the Mexican House of Representatives
 - Dr Gerónimo GUTIÉRREZ, Under-Secretary of State for North America in the Ministry of External Relations
 - Sen. Enrique JACKSON RAMÍREZ, President of the Mexican Senate
 - Mr Felipe LÓPEZ, Professor, University of California, Los Angeles
 - Sen. Fernando MARGÁIN, Chairman of the Committee on External Relations of the Mexican Senate and Chairman of the Mexican Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
 - Mr Armando SALINAS TORRE, Under-Secretary of State for Population, Migration and Religious Affairs, Mexican Ministry of the Interior
 - Sen. Sadot SÁNCHEZ CARREÑO, President of the Human Rights Commission in the Mexican Senate
 - Dr. Jorge SANTIBAÑEZ, President of the "Colegio de la Frontera Norte"
 - Dr. José Luis SOBERANES, President of the National Committee on Human Rights (CNDH)
 - Mr Arnoldo TORRES, Representative of the Mexican community in California, United States, and Director of the Institute of Mexicans living abroad (IME)
 - Mrs Fabbiane VENET REBIFFE, Head of the non governmental organisation "No borders"
 - Dr. Jordi BACARIA, Expert on migration issues, European Union

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and visited the border in Nogales and held exchanges of views with:

- Mr Lorenzo De La FUENTE MANRIQUE, Mayor of Nogales
- Mr Carlos GONZÁLEZ MAGALLÓN, General Consul in Nogales, Arizona
- Sen. Micaela AGUILAR GONZÁLEZ, Mexican Senate
- Sen. Adrian ALANIS QUIÑONEZ, Mexican Senate
- Representatives of the National Institute of Migration, Groupe BETA, National Committee on Human Rights, the General Prosecutor of the State of Sonora and the "System for the Integral Development of the Family" (DIF)
- Next meetings: decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
 - Strasbourg, during the 2nd part of the session 2004 (26-30 April 2004)

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