



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

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25 June 2010

The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population, meeting in Strasbourg, on 22 and 24 June 2010, with Mr Greenway (United Kingdom, EDG) in the Chair,

• **ON TUESDAY 22 JUNE, FROM 8.30 TO 10AM, as regards:**

– ***Unaccompanied minors in Europe: issues of arrival, stay and return*** (*Rapporteur: Ms Reps, Estonia, ALDE*): heard a statement by the Rapporteur on the follow-up to the questionnaire sent to the European Centre for Parliamentary Research (ECPRD) network and held an exchange of views;

– ***Preventing harm to refugees and migrants in extradition and expulsion cases: Rule 39 indications by the European Court of Human Rights*** (*Rapporteur: Mr Darchiashvili, Georgia, EPP/CD*): heard a statement by the Rapporteur and held an exchange of views;

– ***Readmission agreements: a mechanism for returning irregular migrants*** (*Rapporteur: Ms Strik, Netherlands, SOC*): took note that no amendments were tabled to the draft resolution and to the draft recommendation;

– ***Voluntary return programmes: an effective, humane and cost-effective mechanism for returning irregular migrants*** (*Rapporteur: Ms Türköne, Turkey, EPP/CD*): took note that no amendments were tabled to the draft resolution and to the draft recommendation;

– ***Roma asylum seekers in Council of Europe Member States*** (*Rapporteur: Mr Pupovac, Croatia, SOC*): in the absence of the Rapporteur (apologised), decided to postpone the consideration of the report for approval to its next meeting;

– ***Council of Europe Forum for the Future of Democracy (Yerevan, 19-20 October 2010)***: appointed the following members to the *Ad Hoc* Committee of the Bureau: Mr Ryszard BENDER (Poland, EDG), Mr David DARCHIASHVILI (Georgia, EPP/CD), Mr Arcadio DÍAZ-TEJERA (Spain, SOC), Mr Tuğrul TÜRKEŞ (Turkey, EDG), Mr Andrej ZERNOVSKI ("The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", ALDE);

– ***Work programme:***

asked its Chair to meet the Ministers' Deputies / Rapporteur Group in Strasbourg to discuss recent work of the Committee, subject to the availability of funds;

Appointment of rapporteurs:

- Demographic winter and future of Europe: appointed Ms MEMECAN (Turkey, ALDE)

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Director General, Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
Secretaries of National Delegations to the Assembly
Secretaries of Political Groups of the Assembly
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Directors General
Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for Organisation Developments and Reform
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
Director of Communication
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

- The need for reinforced protection of rights of migrant women: appointed Ms FRAHM (Denmark, UEL);
- The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and the world economy – *for opinion*: appointed Ms NAGHDALYAN, Armenia, ALDE);

Representation of the Committee at various events:

Conference on Trafficking for Domestic Servitude, organised by the *Observatorio do Trafico de Seres Humanos* (Lisbon, 15 October 2010): appointed Mr GREENWAY (United Kingdom, EDG), subject to the availability of funds;

– **ICRC Exhibition on “Mission persons in the Balkans” (Strasbourg, during the October part-session of the Assembly):** heard a statement by Mr Syméon ANTOULAS, Diplomatic Advisor, ICRC and gave support to hold the exhibition;

- **ON THURSDAY 24 JUNE, FROM 2 TO 3PM, as regards:**

– **Asylum and gender-based persecution (Rapporteur: Mr Zernovski, “The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, ALDE):** decided to change the title of the report to “Gender-related claims for asylum”, approved a report and adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation;

– **The interception and rescue at sea of asylum seekers, refugees and irregular migrants (Rapporteur: Mr Díaz Tejera, Spain, SOC):** considered an outline for the report and heard a statement by the Rapporteur on the Conference on “Human Rights and Migration: realising a human rights base approach to the protection of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers” (Lisbon, 31 May – 1st June 2010);

– **The humanitarian consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia: implementation of Resolutions 1648 (2009) and 1664 (2009) (Rapporteur: Ms Jonker, Netherlands, EPP/CD):** heard a statement by its Chair.

– **Cooperation with the delegations of observers to the Parliamentary Assembly:** held an exchange of views with members of the delegation of Mexico on the Immigration Bill SB1070 of Arizona;

– **Meeting of the plenary Committee in Ohrid, “The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (20-21 September 2010):** took note of the draft programme of the meeting;

– **Next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

- Ohrid (“The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”), 20-21 September 2010
- Strasbourg, during the fourth part-session 2010 (4-8 October 2010)
- Paris, 7-8 December 2010 (to be confirmed)

Mark Neville, Isild Heurtin, Carl Ekström