



## FOR THE ATTENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE HONOURING OF OBLIGATIONS AND COMMITMENTS BY MEMBER STATES

Secretariat of the Assembly

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**The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe**, meeting in Strasbourg on 22, 23 and 25 April 2002 with Mr Bársony in the Chair:

- *Functioning of democratic institutions in Moldova (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Durrieu, France, SOC, and Mr Vahtre, Estonia, EPP/CD)*: approved a draft report, amended and unanimously adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation, asked the co-rapporteurs to present these to the Assembly, and asked the Chair to take position on the amendments on behalf of the committee during the Assembly debate;
- *Russia (co-rapporteurs: Mr Atkinson, United Kingdom, EDG, and Mr Bindig, Germany, SOC)*: took position on the 17 amendments to the draft resolution and 4 amendments to the draft recommendation;
- *Ukraine (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Severinsen, Denmark, LDR, and Mrs Wohlwend, Liechtenstein, EPP/CD)*: heard a statement by Mrs Severinsen on the parliamentary elections which were held on 31 March 2002, and took note of the decision of the Bureau authorizing a post-electoral mission to the country;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”*: approved a memorandum revised by the Chair after his fact-finding visit from 27 February to 1 March 2002, instructed the Chair to transmit it to the Bureau requesting a decision in favour of monitoring the future parliamentary elections and organising a pre-electoral mission to the country;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Romania*: the committee authorised its Chair to make a fact-finding visit to Bucharest from 6 – 8 May 2002 in the framework of the post-monitoring dialogue and report back to the committee at its next meeting;
- *Bosnia and Herzegovina*: appointed Mrs Akgonenc (Turkey, EDG) and Mr Surjan (Hungary, EPP/CD) co-rapporteurs;

- *Azerbaijan (co-rapporteurs: Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC, and Mr Martinez Casañ, Spain, EPP/CD)*: set up an *Ad hoc* Sub-Committee to implement Resolution 1272 (2002) on political prisoners in Azerbaijan consisting of MM. Gross (Switzerland, SOC), Martinez Casañ (Spain, EPP/CD) and Soendergaard (Denmark, UEL), and was informed that the comments by the Azerbaijani authorities on the draft report on Azerbaijan had been received by the secretariat;
- *Armenia (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Belohorská, Slovakia, EDG, and Mr Jaskiernia, Poland, SOC)*: was informed that the comments by the Armenian authorities on the draft report on Armenia had been received by the secretariat;
- *Albania (co-rapporteurs: Mr Smorawinski, Poland, EPP/CD, and Mr Soendergaard, Denmark, UEL)*: authorised its co-rapporteurs to make a fact-finding visit to the country, possibly in June 2002;
- *Georgia (co-rapporteurs: Mr Eörsi, Hungary, LDR and Mr Weiss, Slovakia, SOC)*: authorised the co-rapporteurs to make a fact-finding visit to the county from 29 June to 5 July 2002;
- *Next meetings:*
  - . in Bucharest, 15 – 17 May 2002,
  - . in Strasbourg, during the June part-session of the Assembly (24-28 June 2002),
  - . in Paris, 10 September 2002.

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