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The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe, meeting in Bucharest on 15 and 16 May 2002 with Mr Bársony in the Chair:

- *Activities of the Monitoring Committee*: considered a revised memorandum presented by the Chairman and decided to continue discussion at a future meeting;
- *Armenia (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Belohorská, Slovakia, EDG, and Mr Jaskiernia, Poland, SOC)*: decided to postpone consideration of the comments on the draft report by the Armenian authorities to the next meeting, in the absence of representatives of the Armenian delegation;
- *Azerbaijan (co-rapporteurs: Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC, and Mr Martinez Casañ, Spain, EPP/CD)*: heard the co-rapporteur's remarks on the comments on the draft report by the Azerbaijani authorities and took note of the synopsis of the joint meeting of the *Ad hoc* Sub-Committee to implement Resolution 1272 (2002) on political prisoners in Azerbaijan (25 April 2002);
- *Ukraine (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Severinsen, Denmark, LDR, and Mrs Wohlwend, Liechtenstein, EPP/CD)*: in the absence of the co-rapporteurs, decided to postpone the statement on the post-electoral mission (9-10 May 2002) to the next meeting;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria*: heard a presentation of the contribution by the Bulgarian delegation, authorised the Chairman to carry out a fact-finding visit (dates to be arranged) to Sofia, and to report to a future meeting;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Croatia*: heard a presentation of the contribution by the Croatian delegation and asked the Chairman to write to the Chairperson of the Croatian delegation to request further clarification of the follow-up given to Resolution 1223 (2000) and to report back to the committee at a future meeting;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Romania*: continued examination of the contribution by the Romanian delegation, took note of a memorandum by the Chair on his fact-finding visit (6-8 May 2002) and unanimously decided to recommend the conclusion of the post-monitoring dialogue;
- Held exchanges of views with:

Mr Valer Dorneanu, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies,
Mr Viorel Hrebenciuc, Deputy Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies, Chairman of the
Romanian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe,

and

Mr Adrian Nastase, Prime Minister,
Mrs Hildegard Carola Puwak, Minister for European Integration,
Mr Razvan Teodorescu, Minister for Culture and Religions,
Mrs Cristina Luzescu, Secretary of State for Justice,

held a joint meeting with the Committees for Foreign Affairs, Legal Questions and Human Rights, Religions and Minorities of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies;

- *Contacts with the Chairman of the Ministers' Deputies and the Chairman of the Rapporteur Group for Democratic Stability (GR-EDS):* heard a statement by the Chairman on the meeting held on 25 April 2002 on the modalities of co-operation with the Committee of Ministers and took note that the GR-EDS Chairman would be invited to an exchange of views with the Committee during the next Part-Session of the Assembly in June 2002;
- *Next meetings:*
 - . in Strasbourg, during the next Part-Session of the Assembly (24-28 June 2002)
 - . in Paris, on 10 September 2002.

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