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

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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 27, 28 and 29 April 2004 with Mrs Durrieu in the Chair:

- *Debate under urgent procedure on Armenia (co-rapporteurs: Mr André, France, EPP/CD, and Mr Jaskiernia, Poland, SOC):* considered, amended and adopted a draft resolution; took position on 17 amendments presented to the draft resolution;
- *Request for the reopening of a monitoring procedure as regards Latvia (co-rapporteurs: Mr Jurgens, The Netherlands, SOC, and Mr Sasi, Finland, EPP):* heard a statement by the co-rapporteurs on their visit to Latvia (29 and 30 March) and, after an exchange of views, adopted an opinion for the Bureau of the Assembly;
- *Albania (co-rapporteurs: Mr Smorawinski, Poland, EPP/CD, and Mr Soendergaard, Denmark, UEL):* took position on four amendments presented to the draft resolution;
- *Georgia (co-rapporteurs: Mr Eörsi, Hungary, LDR, and Mr Kirilov, Bulgaria, SOC):* held an exchange of views on the parliamentary elections of 28 March 2004 and on the situation in the country; authorised Mr Kirilov to attend a seminar organised by the Venice Commission in Georgia on 18 and 19 May 2004 and both Rapporteurs' fact-finding visit to the country in July 2004;
- *Russia (co-rapporteurs: Mr Atkinson, United Kingdom, EDG, and Mr Bindig, Germany, SOC):* heard a statement by the co-rapporteurs on their further projects in following honouring of obligations and commitments by the Russian Federation with a view to holding a debate in April or June 2005 at the latest; authorised the co-rapporteurs to carry out two fact-finding visits to the country: to Jekaterinburg and Kazan in July 2004 and to Moscow in November 2004;
- *Azerbaijan (co-rapporteurs: Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC, and Mr Martínez Casañ, Spain, EPP/CD):* authorised Mr Gross to visit the country on 19 and 20 May 2004;
- *Moldova (co-rapporteurs Mrs Durrieu, France, SOC and Mr Kvakkestad, Norway, EDG):* authorised the co-rapporteurs to visit the country from 23 to 25 May 2004;
- *Ukraine (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Severinsen, Denmark, LDR, and Mrs Wohlwend, Liechtenstein, EPP/CD):* authorised the co-rapporteurs to visit the country from 26 May to 3 June 2004;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Czech Republic:* authorised the Chair to visit the country from 7 to 11 May 2004;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria:* authorised the Chair to visit the country in early June;

- *Post-monitoring dialogue with “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”*: authorised the Chair to visit the country in early June;
- *Progress report*: appointed the Chair as rapporteur;
- *Annual external meeting*: held an exchange of views on the matter and was in favour of holding a meeting in Georgia in September 2004, subject to receiving an invitation by the Georgian delegation and to receiving an authorisation by the Bureau;
- postponed the statement on the Council for Democratic Elections (Venice, 11 March 2004);
- *next meeting*:
 - . in Budapest (European Youth Centre) on 26 May 2004.

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