

Parliamentary Assembly Assemblée parlementaire

Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (**Monitoring Committee**)
Commission pour le respect des obligations et engagements des Etats membres du Conseil de l'Europe (**Commission de suivi**)



FOR THE ATTENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE HONOURING OF OBLIGATIONS AND COMMITMENTS BY MEMBER STATES OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE (MONITORING COMMITTEE)

Secretariat of the Parliamentary 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 21, 22 and 23 June 2005 with Mrs Severinsen (Denmark, LDR) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *Russia* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Atkinson, United Kingdom, EDG and Mr Bindig, Germany, SOC): took position on amendments tabled to the draft resolution and to the draft recommendation on the honouring of obligations and commitments by the Russian Federation;
- *Azerbaijan* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC and Mr Herkel, Estonia, EPP/CD): took position on amendments tabled to the draft resolution on the functioning of democratic institutions in Azerbaijan;
- *Constitutional reform process in Armenia* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Colombier, France, EPP/CD and Mr Jaskiernia, Poland, SOC): approved a report, amended and adopted a draft resolution for the debate under urgent procedure, and took position on amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
- *Secrecy of the vote*: decided to ask the Venice Commission (Council for Democratic Elections) to prepare a study on European practices and standards regarding the secrecy of the vote in the context of parliamentary procedure;
- *Next meetings*: decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
 - *Baku*, on 5 July 2005
 - *Antalya*, on 7 and 8 September 2005

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