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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)

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The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe, meeting in Paris on 18 December 2007, with Mr Lintner (Germany, EPP/CD) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *Georgia* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Eörsi, Hungary, ALDE and Mr Islami, Albania, SOC): considered comments by the Delegation of Georgia to the PACE on the preliminary draft report [AS/Mon (2007) 43], considered a revised preliminary draft report on the honouring of obligations and commitments by Georgia following the fact-finding visit to Georgia on 9-10 November 2007 and the pre-election mission on 5-7 December 2007, and decided to postpone the adoption of a draft resolution and/or recommendation to the beginning of the first part of the 2008 session so as to take into account the results of the presidential elections of 5 January 2008;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"* (Rapporteur: Mr Lintner, Germany, EPP/CD): decided to postpone this item to its forthcoming meeting;
- *Serbia* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Goerens, Luxembourg, ALDE, and Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC): considered a preliminary draft report on the honouring of obligations and commitments by Serbia and decided to transmit it to the authorities of Serbia for comments within a maximum of three months;
- *Montenegro* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Gardetto, Monaco, EPP/CD, and Mr Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): heard a statement by the co-rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit to Montenegro (14-16 November 2007);
- *Armenia* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Colombier, France, EPP/CD, and Mr Mimica, Croatia, SOC): considered an information note by Mr Colombier on his fact-finding visit to Armenia (3-5 December 2007) and decided to make this document public;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Turkey* (Rapporteur: Mr Lintner, Germany, EPP/CD): considered information provided by the Delegation of Turkey to the PACE on the issues which are the subject of the Post-monitoring dialogue with Turkey;

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- *Hearing on frozen conflicts*: held an exchange of views on the possible follow up to be given to this hearing;
- *Russian Federation* (Co-rapporteurs: Mr van den Brande, Belgium, EPP/CD and Mr Pangalos, Greece, SOC): held an exchange of views on the parliamentary elections in the Russian Federation (2 December 2007);
- *Authorisation of fact-finding visits*: authorised the co-rapporteurs on Ukraine, Serbia and Azerbaijan to make fact-finding visits to their respective countries on dates to be agreed in consultation with the parliamentary delegations concerned;
- *Secrecy of the vote in the context of elections by Parliament*: took note of the report by the Venice Commission;
- *Next meetings*: decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
 - in Strasbourg during the 1st part of the 2008 session (21-25 January 2008)
 - in Paris, on 17 March 2008 (*to be confirmed*)

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