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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 17 December 2008, with Mr Holovaty (Ukraine, ALDE) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *The implementation of Resolution 1633 (2008) on the consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Van den Brande, Belgium, EPP/CD, and Mr Eörsi, Hungary, ALDE): took note of a preliminary draft explanatory memorandum prepared by the co-rapporteurs, and decided to declassify it; decided to ask the opinion of the Venice Commission on the law on occupied territories adopted by the Georgian Parliament on 28 October 2008;
- *Armenia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Colombier, France, EPP/CD, and Mr Prescott, United Kingdom, SOC): considered a draft report and adopted a draft resolution on the implementation of Resolutions 1609 (2008) and 1620 (2008), it being understood that the co-rapporteurs would visit Armenia in January 2009, with a view to reporting back to the Committee on the first day of the January 2009 part-session on any progress with respect to the release of persons deprived of their liberty in relation to the events of 1 and 2 March 2008;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria* (rapporteur: Mr Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): decided to postpone to its next meeting the consideration of an information note by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Sofia from 5 to 7 November 2008;
- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Turkey* (rapporteur: Mr Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): decided to postpone to its next meeting the statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Ankara and Istanbul from 24 to 26 November 2008;
- *Next meeting*: decided to hold its next meeting in Strasbourg, during the January 2009 part-session of the Assembly (26-30 January 2009).

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