



.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)

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The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee), meeting in Strasbourg on 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 April 2010, with Mr Dick Marty (Switzerland, ALDE) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *The consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Eörsi, Hungary, ALDE, and Mr Wilshire, United Kingdom, EDG): held an exchange of views and decided to request the Bureau to replace the debate on “the consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia” by a current affairs debate on the same subject during the 2010 second part-session, decided to present a report on “the consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia” during the 2010 third part-session and to return to this issue at its next meeting;
- *The functioning of democratic institutions in Azerbaijan* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Herkel, Estonia, EPP/CD, and Mr Debono Grech, Malta, SOC): considered a preliminary draft report;
- *Moldova* (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Durrieu, France, SOC, and Mr Vareikis, Lithuania, EPP/CD): heard a statement by Mr Vareikis on the co-rapporteurs’ fact-finding visit to Chisinau on 5 and 6 April 2010 and held a hearing with the participation of Mr Petrenco, representing the Party of Communists in the Moldovan Parliament;
- *Serbia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Harutyunyan, Armenia, EDG, and ...): appointed Mrs Hurskainen (Finland, SOC) co-rapporteur to replace Mr Gross (Switzerland, SOC);
- *Albania* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Laakso, Finland, UEL, and Mr Wilshire, United Kingdom, EDG): was informed of the declaration on the situation in Albania, adopted by the Bureau of the Assembly on 26 April 2010, and held an exchange of views on recent developments;
- *The urgent need for a constitutional reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Sasi, Finland, EPP/CD, and Ms Woldseth, Norway, EDG): considered a draft report and adopted a draft resolution;
- *Russian Federation* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Frunda, Romania, EPP/CD, and Mr Gross, Switzerland, SOC): heard an oral statement by the co-rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit to Moscow from 22 to 24 March 2010 and authorised them to carry out another visit in July;
- *Montenegro* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Gardetto, Monaco, EPP/CD, and Mr Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): took position on the amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
- *Georgia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Eörsi, Hungary, ALDE, and Mr Islami, Albania, SOC): decided to postpone this item to one of its next meetings;

- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria* (rapporteur: Mr Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): took position on the amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
- *Progress report (contribution to the debate on the state of democracy in Europe)* (rapporteur: Mr Marty, Switzerland, ALDE): considered and approved an outline for the report;
- *Authorisation of fact-finding visits*: authorised a visit of the co-rapporteurs to the Russian Federation;
- *Next meeting*: decided to hold its next meeting in Paris, on 19 May 2010.

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