



.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 Paris, on 16 November 2010, with Mr Dick Marty (Switzerland, ALDE) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *Azerbaijan* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Joseph Debono Grech, Malta, SOC, and Mr Pedro Agramunt, Spain, EPP/CD): held an exchange of views on the parliamentary elections held on 7 November 2010;
- *Bosnia and Herzegovina* (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Karin S. Woldseth, Norway, EDG, and Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, France, EPP/CD): held a hearing with the participation of the parliamentary delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the PACE;
- *Moldova* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Egidijus Vareikis, Lithuania, EPP/CD, and Mrs Lise Christoffersen, Norway, SOC): held an exchange of views on the preparations for the parliamentary elections to be held on 28 November 2010;
- *The consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia* (co-rapporteurs: ...): agreed that the hearing on the consequences of the war between Georgia and Russia would be held on 17 January 2011 at the National Assembly in Paris and considered a draft programme;
- *Russian Federation* (co-rapporteurs: Mr György Frunda, Romania, EPP/CD, and Mr Andreas Gross, Switzerland, SOC): held an exchange of views on the progress of the monitoring procedure concerning the Russian Federation;
- *Ukraine* (co-rapporteurs: Mrs Mailis Reps, Estonia, ALDE, and ...): appointed Ms Marietta de Pourbaix-Lundin (Sweden, EPP/CD) co-rapporteur to replace Mrs Renate Wohlwend (Liechtenstein, EPP/CD) in respect of Ukraine and postponed an exchange of views on recent developments in Ukraine to its next meeting;
- *Georgia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Kastriot Islami, Albania, SOC, and Mr Michael Aastrup Jensen, Denmark, ALDE): held an exchange of views on the recent constitutional changes in Georgia;
- *Forum for the future of democracy (Yerevan, 19-20 October 2010)*: heard statements by the General Rapporteur, Mr Davit Harutyunyan (Armenia, EDG), as well as Committee representatives on the draft conclusions of the Forum;
- *Authorisation of fact-finding visits*: authorised a fact-finding visit to Azerbaijan;

- *Other business:*
 - . decided to postpone to its next meeting the appointment of a Committee representative to the Council on Democratic Elections to replace Mr David Wilshire (United Kingdom, EDG);
 - . invited the Chair to write a letter to the President of the Assembly, expressing members' concern that parliaments do not authorise their representatives to attend Committee meetings due to financial constraints, notwithstanding that they are rapporteurs and their reports are on the agenda;
- *Next meeting:* decided to hold its next meeting in Paris on 10 December 2010.

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