



.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 20 and 21 June 2011 with Mr Dick Marty (Switzerland, ALDE) and on 23 June 2011 with Ms Karin S. Woldseth (Norway, EDG) in the Chair:

as regards:

- *Post-monitoring dialogue with Turkey* (rapporteur: Ms Josette Durrieu, France, SOC): took note of a press release on the observation of the elections of 12 June 2011 in Turkey; considered a preliminary draft report on the post-monitoring dialogue with Turkey and decided to transmit it to the Turkish authorities for comments; and authorised the rapporteur to carry out a fact-finding visit to Turkey;
- *Ukraine* (co-rapporteurs: Ms Mailis Reps, Estonia, ALDE, and Ms Marietta de Pourbaix-Lundin, Sweden, EPP/CD): discussed the information note by the co-rapporteurs on the fact-finding visit to Kyiv and Lviv from 5 to 8 April 2011;
- *Montenegro* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Jean-Charles Gardetto, Monaco, EPP/CD, and Mr Serhiy Holovaty, Ukraine, ALDE): considered an information note by the co-rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit to Podgorica from 31 May to 2 June 2011 and decided to declassify it; took note of five documents relating to draft laws or amendments to the Constitution, as well as of two opinions adopted by the Venice Commission on 17 June 2011 relating to the amendment to the law on election of Councillors and Members of Parliament and to three draft laws as well as to the draft amendments to the Constitution on the judicial system in Montenegro; decided to request the Venice Commission's opinion on the draft law on the Protector of human rights and freedoms (Ombudsman) of Montenegro with a view to ensuring the full implementation of the Anti-Discrimination Law;
- *Armenia* (co-rapporteurs: Mr John Prescott, United Kingdom, SOC, and Mr Axel Fischer, Germany, EPP/CD): held an exchange of views on recent developments in Armenia;
- *Bosnia and Herzegovina* (co-rapporteurs: Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, France, EPP/CD, and Ms Karin S. Woldseth, Norway, EDG): was informed on the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and held an exchange of views with the newly appointed members of the delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the PACE;
- *Moldova* (co-rapporteurs: Ms Lise Christoffersen, Norway, SOC, and Mr Piotr Wach, Poland, EPP/CD): held an exchange of views on recent developments, and took note of a press release on the observation of the local elections of 5 June 2011 in Moldova as well as of the *amicus curiae* brief relating to the election of the President adopted by the Venice Commission on 17 June 2011;
- *The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure: progress report* (rapporteur: Mr Dick Marty, Switzerland, ALDE): took position on the amendments to the draft resolution;

– *Authorisation of fact-finding visits*: authorised fact-finding visits to Turkey, “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” and Albania;

– *Next meetings*:

decided to hold its next meetings:

. in Paris, on 8 September 2011

. in Strasbourg, during the 4th part of the 2011 session (3-7 October)

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