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## To the members of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 7 November 2013

The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee), meeting in Paris on 7 November 2013, with Mr Andres Herkel (Estonia, EPP/CD) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Development of the monitoring procedure:** on the basis of a Memorandum prepared by the Secretariat upon instructions by the Chair, continued the discussion on the establishment, in January 2014, of an ad hoc sub-committee, and agreed, in particular on its composition and terms of reference;
- **France: motion to open a monitoring procedure:** decided to postpone this item to its next meeting;
- **Montenegro** (co-rapporteurs: Ms Nursuna Memecan, Turkey, ALDE, and Mr Kimmo Sasi, Finland, EPP/CD): declassified the revised information note by the co-rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit to Podgorica (8-10 July 2013);
- **Georgia** (co-rapporteurs: Mr Boriss Cilevičs, Latvia, SOC, and Mr Michael Aastrup Jensen, Denmark, ALDE): heard an oral report on the presidential election of 27 October 2013 and held an exchange of views;
- **Azerbaijan** (co-rapporteurs: Mr Pedro Agramunt, Spain, EPP/CD, and Mr Joseph Debono Grech, Malta, SOC): heard an oral report on the presidential election of 9 October 2013 and held an exchange of views;
- **Current situation with regard to the consequences of the war of 2008 between Georgia and Russia:** heard an oral report on the meeting between the co-rapporteurs on Georgia and the Russian Federation with representatives of the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court in The Hague (Paris, 6 November 2013);
- **Authorisation of fact-finding visits:** authorised a visit to Azerbaijan;
- **Other business:** took note of the reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 222 (2013) on the post-monitoring dialogue with “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”;

– **Next meetings:**

decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

- **Paris** (Council of Europe Office), 13 December 2013
- **Strasbourg**, 27-31 January 2014 (during the Assembly part-session)

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cc. *Secretary General of the Assembly*  
*Director General, Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly*  
*Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly*  
*Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations*  
*Secretary General of the Congress*  
*Secretary to the Committee of Ministers*  
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