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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 11 December 2014

The Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee), meeting in Paris on 11 December 2014, with Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Montenegro** (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Kimmo Sasi, Finland, EPP/CD and Mr Terry Leyden, Ireland, ALDE): heard an oral report by the rapporteurs on their fact-finding visit (16-18 November 2014), considered the comments of the Montenegrin authorities on the preliminary draft report on the honouring of obligations and commitments by Montenegro, held an exchange of views, approved a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution as amended with a view to presenting the report at the January 2015 part-session;
- **Post-monitoring dialogue with Monaco** (Rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE): considered an information note by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visits in June and November 2014, held an exchange of views, expressed its support for his proposals, agreed with the roadmap proposed by the rapporteur in the light of the results of his meeting with the Monegasque authorities on 10 December 2014, and decided to transmit the updated information note to the Monegasque authorities;
- **Ukraine** (Co-rapporteurs: Ms Mailis Reps, Estonia, ALDE, and ....): heard an oral report by Ms Reps on her fact-finding visit to Kyiv and Odessa (24-28 November 2014), held an exchange of views on recent developments and decided to invite Sir Nicolas Bratza, Chairman of the Council of Europe International Advisory Panel for an exchange of views at one of its next meetings;
- **Serbia** (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Indrek Saar, Estonia, SOC and Mr Samad Seyidov, Azerbaijan, EC): heard an oral report by Mr Seyidov on his fact-finding visit (27-28 October 2014) and held an exchange of views;
- **Georgia** (Co-rapporteurs: Mr Michael Aastrup Jensen, Denmark, ALDE and Mr Boriss Cilevičs, Latvia, SOC): heard an oral report by Mr Cilevičs on his fact-finding visit to Tbilisi (3-5 December 2014) and held an exchange of views;
- **Ad hoc sub-committee on Russia's Neighbourhood Policy with regard to other Council of Europe Member States**: heard an oral report by the Chair on the meeting held in Berlin on 2 December 2014 and decided to hold the next meeting in Paris on 20 or 21 January 2015;
- **Republic of Moldova** (Co-rapporteurs: Ms Lise Christoffersen, Norway, SOC, and Mr Piotr Wach, Poland, EPP/CD): heard an oral report by Mr Wach on the parliamentary elections of 30 November 2014 and held an exchange of views;

– **Authorisation of fact-finding visits:** authorised visits to Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Monaco, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine

– **Next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:

*Plenary committee:*

**Strasbourg**, 26 – 30 January 2015 (during the Assembly part-session)

**Paris**, 17 March 2015 (*to be confirmed*)

*Ad hoc Sub-Committee on Russia's Neighbourhood Policy with regard to other Council of Europe Member States:*

**Paris**, 20 or 21 January 2015

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cc. *Secretary General of the Assembly*  
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*Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly*  
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