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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 of the Sub-Committee on Conflicts between Council of Europe Member States held in Paris on 16 January 2018

The Sub-Committee on Conflicts between Council of Europe Member States (of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)), meeting in Paris on 16 January 2018, with Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) in the Chair :

– **Political dimension of the Transnistrian settlement process: state of play:** held an exchange of views with:

- For the international organisations active in the settlement process :
 - Ambassador Wolf-Dietrich Heim, the Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office for the Transnistrian Settlement Process;
 - Mr Luc Pierre Devigne, Deputy Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia, Director for Russia, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia and OSCE, European External Action Service of the European Union;
- For the Moldovan authorities :
 - Mr Gheorge Bălan, Head of the Reintegration policy Bureau, former Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration, and former political representative in the 5+2 Format (Chief Negotiator);
 - Mr Marian Lupu, Chairperson of the Moldovan delegation to the PACE, representing the majority;
 - Ms Inna Şupac, Chairperson of the faction of Party of Communists in the Moldovan parliament, representing the opposition;
- For the *de facto* Transnistrian authorities
 - Mr Vitaly Ignatiev, political representative in the 5+2 Format (Chief Negotiator);
 - Mr Aleksandr Shcherba, *de facto* President of the “Supreme Council”;
- For the civil society :
 - Mr Ion Manole, Executive Director of Promo-Lex, Chişinău;
 - Ms Vladlena Lisenco, Founder and Board Member of the Institute of Law and Civil Society, Tiraspol.

– **Next meeting:** decided to hold its next meeting in Strasbourg on 25 January 2018, subject to the decision to reconstitute the Sub-Committee to be made by the Committee on 23 January 2018.

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