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To the members of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 12 December 2014

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Paris on 12 December 2014, with Ms Nataša Vučković (Serbia, SOC) in the Chair, as regards:

Introduction of sanctions against parliamentarians (rapporteur: Mr Arcadio Díaz Tejera, Spain, SOC): held an exchange of views, on the basis of an information memorandum presented by the rapporteur, and asked him to present a preliminary draft report at the next meeting;

- **Post-electoral shifting in members' political affiliation and its repercussion on the composition of a national delegation** (rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE): approved a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution, as amended, and asked the rapporteur to present them to the Assembly at the January 2015 part-session;

- **Budgets and priorities of the Council of Europe 2016-2017 (budgetary sustainability)** (general rapporteur: Mr Rudy Salles, France, EPP/CD): heard a statement by the general rapporteur, on the basis of an information memorandum, heard a statement by Mrs Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, and held an exchange of views with a view to the preparation of two reports in 2015 (see below);

- **The adoption of declarations by committees**: at the request of the Bureau of the Assembly, held an exchange of views, and decided to consider a draft opinion to the Bureau at its next meeting;

Appoinment of rapporteurs:

- *Modifications to the Rules of Procedure [follow-up to Resolution 2018 (2014)],* for report: Mr Jordi Xuclà (Spain, ALDE), and heard from him a declaration of absence of any conflict of interest;
- Parliamentary immunity: challenges to the scope of the privileges and immunities enjoyed by members of the Parliamentary Assembly in the member States, for report: Mrs Liliana Palihovici (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD), subject to the receipt of her declaration on the absence of any conflict of interest;
- Effective representation and participation in the Parliamentary Assembly of opposition parliamentarians in the member States, for report: Mr Pedro Agramunt (Spain, EPP/CD), and heard from him a declaration of absence of any conflict of interest;
- Budget and priorities of the Council of Europe for the biennium 2016-2017 and Expenditure of the Parliamentary Assembly for the biennium 2016-2017, for reports (subject to the Assembly decision): Mr Rudy Salles (France, EPP/CD), subject to the receipt of his declaration on the absence of any conflict of interest;
- *Transparency and openness in European institutions,* for opinion: Mrs Chiora Taktakishvili (Georgia, ALDE) and heard from her a declaration of absence of any conflict of interest;

- **The fair representation of the opposition in national delegations**: at the request of the Bureau of the Assembly, held an exchange of views, on the basis of an information memorandum, and instructed its Chairperson to inform the Bureau of the position of the committee on this question;

– Next meeting:

• Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 1st part-session of 2015 (26-30 January 2015).

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