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

Synopsis

of the meeting held on Tuesday 2 November 2021 in hybrid mode in Paris

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting on 2 November 2021 in Paris and by videoconference, with Ms Ingjerd Schou (Norway, EPP/CD) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Revision of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly:** (Rapporteur: Ms Thorhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC): considered the preliminary draft report, agreed to change its title to “Revision of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly: introducing the explicit prohibition of sexism, sexual harassment and sexual violence and misconduct”, and unanimously adopted the draft resolution;
- **Respect for the rule of law and fight against corruption within the Council of Europe:** (Rapporteur: Mr Frank Schwabe, Germany, SOC): held a hearing with the participation of Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, former President of the Parliamentary Assembly and former Chairperson of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, and Sir Nicolas Bratza, former President of the European Court of Human Rights and Chairperson of the former Independent Investigation Body on allegations of corruption within the Assembly (IBAC);
- **(in camera) Alleged breaches of the Code of conduct for members of the Parliamentary Assembly – Complaint concerning Ms Rosianne Cutajar (Malta, SOC):** held an exchange of views on the complaint on the basis of written submissions by Ms Cutajar and, despite the resignation of Ms Cutajar from the Maltese delegation to the Assembly, decided to remain seized of the matter; decided to request the Speaker of the Maltese Parliament to provide the Committee with detailed information about the ongoing procedure in the Maltese Parliament regarding the case of Ms Cutajar as well as its timeline; pending receipt of this information and the completion of the national parliamentary procedure, decided to resume the consideration of this matter, no later than during the 2022 second part-session of the Assembly; decided that the failure by Ms Cutajar to submit a declaration of interests since 2018 for four consecutive years constituted a minor breach of the Code of Conduct and decided to inform the Speaker of the Maltese parliament accordingly.
- **Work programme:** took note of the work programme
- **Next meeting:** 1st part-session in Strasbourg (24-28 January 2022)

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