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To the members of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Synopsis
**of the meeting held in Paris
on 14 March 2014**

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting in Paris with Mr Valeriu Ghiletchi (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

–   ***Decent work for all*** *(Rapporteur: Mr Roel Deseyn, Belgium, EPP/CD):* considered a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution as amended, with a view to presenting the report for debate in the Assembly during the April 2014 part-session;

–   ***Ending child poverty in Europe*** *(Rapporteur: Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva, Azerbaijan, EDG):* considered a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution and a draft recommendation, with a view to presenting the report for debate in the Assembly during the April 2014 part-session;

–   ***The protection of minors against excesses of sects*** *(Rapporteur for opinion: Mr André Bugnon, Switzerland, ALDE):* considered and unanimously approved a draft opinion as amended, including 8 amendments;

–   ***Promotion of social rights:*** held an exchange of views with Mr Luis Jimena Quesada, Chairperson of the European Committee of Social Rights, and decided that its Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter should participate in the upcoming high-level conference on the European Social Charter to be held in Turin (Italy), on 17-18 October 2014 (*subject to Bureau authorisation*);

–   ***Committee's work programme and priorities:*** considered and approved priorities and working structures for the Committee for 2014, including the proposal to put on hold the General Rapporteurship on Local and Regional Authorities;

–   ***Reform of the Assembly: two-year review:*** held an exchange of views on the questionnaire appended to a letter sent to Committee Chairs by the Rapporteur of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, Ms Liliana Palihovici (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD), and agreed on a draft reply to be sent to this questionnaire;

–   ***Challenges for the Council of Europe Development Bank*** *(Rapporteur: Mr Tuur Elzinga, the Netherlands, UEL):* held an exchange of views with Mr Rolf Wenzel, Governor of the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB), and considered an introductory memorandum;

–   ***Ensuring children with attention problems are properly cared for*** *(Rapporteur: Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet Perot, Andorra, SOC):* held an exchange of views on the basis of an outline report with the participation of Dr Chiara Servili, Department of Mental Health of the World Health Organization (WHO);

–   ***Child friendly justice / Children in detention*** (*Rapporteur: Mr Stefan Schennach, Austria, SOC*): considered an introductory memorandum and decided to change the title to "Child-friendly juvenile justice: from rhetoric to reality";

– ***Transmission of motions for consultation on the follow-up to be given:*** considered the motion entitled "Europe must be based on economically viable regions - Effective local self-government for member States", as well as the written declaration submitted to the Committee by Mr Cezar Preda (Romania, EPP/CD) and Mr Marian Neacşu (Romania, SOC) on the matter and decided to propose, to the Bureau, that no follow-up should be given to this motion;

– ***appointed rapporteurs as follows***:

. Combating sexual violence against children: towards a successful conclusion of the ONE in FIVE campaign (for report): Mr Valeriu Ghiletchi (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD), exceptionally appointed in his capacity as Chairperson in view of the urgency of this matter;

and heard from him a declaration on the absence of a conflict of interest;

. Improving children's access to child-friendly health and social services (for report): Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD);

. Freedom of religion and religious practices (for opinion): Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC);

– ***Changes to the membership of Sub-Committees***: approved the following changes:

. *Sub-Committee on Environment and Energy:*
Ms Ester Tuiksoo (Estonia, ALDE) became a member (in replacement of Mr Margus Hanson);

. *Sub-Committee on Public Health:*
Mr Francesco Maria Amoruso (Italy, NR) became a member (in replacement of Ms Anna Maria Bernini);
Mr Gérard Bapt (France, SOC) became a member (in replacement of Mr André Reichardt);

. *Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter:*
Ms Liliana Palihovici (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD) became a member (in replacement of Mr Valeriu Ghiletchi who became the Chairperson of the Committee in January 2014);
Ms Lia Quartapelle Procopio has changed Committees and is no longer alternate to Ms Nunzia Catalfo (Italy, NR);

. *Ad hoc Sub-Committee to participate in the Conference on the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2012-2015, Dubrovnik (Croatia), 27-28 March 2014:*
Mr Christian Barilaro (Monaco, ALDE) became a member;
Ms Andreja Črnak Meglič (Slovenia, SOC) became a member;
Mr Zbigniew Girzyński (Poland, NR) became a member;
Ms Borjana Krišto (Bosnia and Herzegovina, EPP/CD) and Ms Milica Marković (Bosnia and Herzegovina, SOC) became members;

Due to other work commitments, Mr Henryk Cioch (Poland, NR) and Ms Eleni Rapti, (Greece, EPP/CD) are no longer able to participate in this *Ad hoc* Sub-Committee.

– ***Appointment of Committee representatives to external events:*** appointed its representatives as follows (*subject to availability of funds*):

Meeting of the European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG), Strasbourg, on 3-4 April 2014: Ms Nunzia Catalfo (Italy, NR);

– ***Reports from committee representatives to external events: heard statements by its members as follows:***

. Mr Tuur Elzinga (the Netherlands, UEL) on the 206th meeting of the Governing Board of the Council of Europe Development Bank, Paris, 22 November 2013;

. Mr Roel Deseyn (Belgium, EPP/CD) on the OECD International Parliamentary Seminar, Paris, 5-6 February 2014;

– *Date and place of next meetings:*

Plenary committee:

- Second part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 7-11 April 2014, Strasbourg;
- Monday, 12 May 2014 and Tuesday 13 May 2014, Nicosia (Cyprus);
- Third part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 23-27 June 2014, Strasbourg;
- Fourth part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 29 September – 3 October 2014, Strasbourg;
- Monday, 1st December 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Tuesday, 2 December 2014, Paris (Council of Europe Office), joint meeting with the Committee on equality and non-discrimination *(to be confirmed)*;

PACE network of contact parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children:

- Second part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 8 April 2014, Strasbourg*;*
- Tuesday, 13 May 2014, Nicosia (Cyprus);
- Third part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 23-27 June 2014, Strasbourg *(date to be confirmed);*
- Fourth part-session 2014 of the Assembly, 29 September – 3 October 2014, Strasbourg *(date to be confirmed).*

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The *Ad hoc* Sub-Committee to participate in the Conference on the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2012-2015, Dubrovnik (Croatia), 27-28 March 2014, meeting in Paris on 14 March 2014, with first Ms Guguli Magradze (Georgia, SOC), oldest member present, and then Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC), Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair:

. elected Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD) Chairperson by acclamation;
. elected Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC) Vice-Chairperson by acclamation;

– **Date and place of the next meeting**: 27-28 March 2014 in Dubrovnik (Croatia).

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