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

**Synopsis
of the meeting held in Strasbourg
on 23-26 January 2017**

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting in Strasbourg:

- **Monday, 23 January 2016, at 2 pm**, with first Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE), oldest member present, then Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet (Andorra, SOC), first Vice-Chairperson, and then Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD), elected Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
 - **Election of the Bureau of the Committee:**
 - re-elected, by acclamation, Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD), Chairperson;
 - re-elected, by acclamation, Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet (Andorra, SOC), first Vice-Chairperson;
 - elected, by acclamation, Mr Ertuğrul Kürkçü, (Turkey, UEL), second Vice-Chairperson;
 - re-elected, by acclamation, Mr Ionuț-Marian Stroe (Romania, EPP/CD), third Vice-Chairperson;
 - **Mr Jean-Claude Frécon:** paid tribute to the former member, former Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, who passed away on 10 December 2016;
 - decided to treat the item on “Participation of external interested parties in Committee meetings” *in camera* at the meeting scheduled for Wednesday 25 January 2017;
 - **Human rights compatibility of investor–State arbitration in international investment protection agreements** (*Rapporteur: Mr Geraint Davies, United Kingdom, SOC*): started considering a draft opinion;
- **Tuesday, 24 January 2017, at 2 pm** with first Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet (Andorra, SOC), first Vice-Chairperson, and then Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
 - **Human rights compatibility of investor–State arbitration in international investment protection agreements** (*Rapporteur: Mr Geraint Davies, United Kingdom, SOC*): pursued the consideration of a draft opinion and unanimously approved it, including 15 amendments to be tabled;
 - **The use of new genetic technologies in human beings** (*Rapporteur: Ms Petra De Sutter, Belgium, SOC*): considered a revised preliminary draft report and held a hearing with the participation of Ms Mair Crouch, Geneticist and Academic Lawyer, University of Glasgow, United Kingdom; Ms Anne Forus, representative of the Council of Europe Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO) and Mr Cor Oosterwijk, Secretary General of the Patients Network for Medical Research and Health (EGAN);

- **Wednesday, 25 January 2017, at 2 pm** with Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD), Chairperson, and then Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet (Andorra, SOC), first Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
 - **Participation of external interested parties in Committee meetings:** held a discussion *in camera* and decided that, with effect from its next Committee meeting in Paris on 24 March 2017, in accordance with Rule 48.3., third parties not covered by the Rules of Procedure should not have access to Committee meetings; however, hearings - and exchanges of views if so decided by the Committee - would continue to be open to all; the Committee would also continue to decide on a case-by-case basis on requests of admittance to its meetings submitted with prior notice by third parties not authorised to attend its meetings in accordance with the Assembly's Rules of Procedure;
 - **Institutional representation of PACE in 2017:** proposed the following Committee representatives for the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity – Council of Europe North-South Centre for appointment by the Bureau and the Assembly:
 - Ms Emine Nur Günay (Turkey, EC) as representative;
 - Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) as alternate;

(NB: formally appointed on 27 January 2017);
 - **Reinforcing social dialogue as an instrument for stability and decreasing social and economic inequalities** (Rapporteur: Mr Ögmundur Jónasson, Iceland, UEL): took position on the 19 amendments tabled;
 - **The need for a citizenship income** (Rapporteur: Ms Nunzia Catalfo, Italy, NR): held an exchange of views with Senator Daniel Percheron of the French Senate;
 - **Detention of Palestinian minors in Israeli prisons** (Rapporteur: Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, Switzerland, SOC): considered an introductory memorandum, agreed to declassify it and authorised the rapporteur to undertake a fact-finding visit to Israel (*subject to Bureau authorisation*);

(NB: authorised by the Bureau on 27 January 2017);
 - **Constitution of Sub-Committees**
- decided to constitute the following Sub-Committees as indicated in the appendix:
 - Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize;
 - Sub-Committee on Children;
 - Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter;
 - Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development;
- **Thursday, 26 January 2017, at 2 pm** with Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
 - **Committee's work programme and priorities**
 - *appointed rapporteurs as follows:*
 - Stress at work : Mr Stefaan Vercamer (Belgium, EPP/CD) in his absence;
 - Sustainable urban development fostering social inclusion: Ms Sybille Benning (Germany, EPP/CD) in her absence;
 - Freedom of choice and personal lifestyle: Mr Axel Fischer (Germany, EPP/CD) in his absence;
 - Inquiry into growing antimicrobial resistance in Europe: Mr Serhii Kiral (Ukraine, EC);

and heard a declaration of absence of conflict of interest from Mr Kiral noting that the other three members would deliver such a declaration at a following meeting;

- took note of the following motion which had been sent to it for information and decided not to give any follow-up to it:
 - The Charter of Milan: food as a fundamental human right;
- took note of the Committee of Ministers' reply to the Assembly's Recommendation 2091 (2016), on "The case against a Council of Europe legal instrument on involuntary measures in psychiatry";
- *appointed Committee representatives to external events as follows:*
 - International Labour Organization (ILO) conference on social dialogue and inequalities, 23-24 February 2017, Brussels, Belgium: Mr Andrej Hunko (Germany, UEL) and Mr Stefaan Vercaemer (Belgium, EPP/CD) (*at no cost to the Assembly*);
 - Conference on "Social rights in today's Europe: the role of domestic and European Courts", 24 February 2017, Nicosia, Cyprus: Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC);
 - 32nd session of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, 28-30 March 2017, Strasbourg, France: Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD) in his capacity as General Rapporteur on Local and Regional Authorities of the Assembly;
 - 12th plenary meeting of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO) on 24-25 October 2017, Palais de l'Europe, Strasbourg, France: Ms Petra De Sutter (Belgium, SOC);
- **"New generation" trade agreements and their implications for social rights, public health and sustainable development** (*Rapporteur: Mr Geraint Davies, UK, SOC*): took position on the 7 amendments tabled;

Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize

- heard a report from Mr Tobias Zech (Germany, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Sub-Committee, on the meeting held the same morning;

Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter

- in the absence of the Sub-Committee Chairperson, Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC), heard a brief account from the Secretariat on the meeting held the same morning;

Sub-Committee on Children

- heard a report from Baroness Doreen Massey (United Kingdom, SOC), Chairperson of the Sub-Committee, on the meeting held the same morning;

Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development

- heard a report from Ms Martine Mergen (Luxembourg, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Sub-Committee, on the meeting held the same morning;

Other business

- agreed to submit to the Bureau a request for an extension of the reference for the report on "The employment rights of female workers from Eastern Europe" (*Rapporteur: Mr Viorel Riceard Badea, Romania, EPP/CD*) until 30 September 2017;

Date and place of next meetings

Plenary committee:

- Friday, 24 March 2017, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Second part-session 2017 of the Assembly, 24-28 April 2017, Strasbourg;
- Thursday, 1 June 2017, Baku, Azerbaijan;
- Third part-session 2017 of the Assembly, 26-30 June 2017, Strasbourg;
- Tuesday, 19 September 2017, Paris (Council of Europe Office);
- Fourth part-session 2017 of the Assembly, 9-13 October 2017, Strasbourg;
- Wednesday, 6 December 2017, Paris (Council of Europe Office);

Sub-Committee on Children:

- Wednesday 31 May 2017, Parliamentary Seminar on children's rights, Baku, Azerbaijan;

Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter:

- Friday 27 October 2017, Paris, Parliamentary Seminar on the implementation of the European Social Charter.

The Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, meeting in Strasbourg on 26 January 2017, with first Mr O'Reilly, oldest member present, and then Mr Tobias Zech in the Chair:

- . elected by acclamation Mr Tobias Zech (Germany, EPP/CD) Chairperson;
- . elected by acclamation Mr Joseph O'Reilly (Ireland, EPP/CD) Vice-Chairperson;
- **Evolution and modernisation of the Europe Prize:** took note of the latest evolutions in the framework of the modernisation of the Europe Prize.
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** 24-28 April 2017, Strasbourg, Second part-session 2017 of the Assembly, *(date to be confirmed)*;

The Sub-Committee on Children meeting in Strasbourg on 26 January 2017, with first Mr O'Reilly, oldest member present, and then Baroness Massey in the Chair:

- . elected by secret vote Baroness Doreen Massey (United Kingdom, SOC) Chairperson;
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** 24-28 April 2017, Strasbourg, Second part-session 2017 of the Assembly, *(date to be confirmed)*;

The Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter, meeting in Strasbourg on 26 January 2017, with first Mr Grin, oldest member present, and then Ms Fataliyeva, in the Chair:

- . re-elected by acclamation Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC) Chairperson;
- . elected by acclamation Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE) Vice-Chairperson;
- **Date and place of the next meeting:** *(date to be confirmed)*;

The Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development meeting in Strasbourg on 26 January 2017, with Ms Mergen in the Chair (first as oldest member present, and then as elected chairperson):

- . elected by acclamation Ms Martine Mergen (Luxembourg, EPP/CD) Chairperson;
- ***Date and place of the next meeting:*** 24-28 April 2017, Strasbourg, Second part-session 2017 of the Assembly, (*date to be confirmed*);

Tanja Kleinsorge, Aiste Ramanauskaite, Maren Lambrecht-Feigl, Ayşegül Elveriş, Prisca Barthel

cc: Secretary General of the Assembly
Director General, Director and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly
Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations
Secretary General of the Congress
Secretary to the Committee of Ministers
Directors General
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
Director of Communication
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development
Commission des questions sociales, de la santé et du développement durable

**Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize
 Sous-commission du Prix de l'Europe**

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7.	Mr	Dimitrios KAMMENOS	Greece / <i>Grèce</i>		ZZ...
8.	Mr	Joseph O'REILLY	Ireland / <i>Irlande</i>		ZZ...
9.	Ms	Cristina De PIETRO	Italy / <i>Italie</i>		ZZ...
10.	Mr	Kęstutis MASIULIS	Lithuania / <i>Lituanie</i>		ZZ...
			Republic of Moldova / <i>République de</i> <i>Moldova</i>		
11.	Mr	Valeriu GHILETCHI			ZZ...
12.	Mr	Cezar Florin PREDA	Romania / <i>Roumanie</i>		ZZ...
13.	Mr	Ionuț-Marian STROE	Romania / <i>Roumanie</i>		ZZ...
14.	Mr	Andrej ŠIRCELJ	Slovenia / <i>Slovénie</i>		ZZ...
15.	Ms	Carina OHLSSON	Sweden / <i>Suède</i>		ZZ...
16.	M.	Filippo LOMBARDI	Switzerland / <i>Suisse</i>	M.	Hannes GERMANN
			The Netherlands / <i>Pays-Bas</i>		
17.	Mr	Paul SCHNABEL			ZZ...
18.	Mr	Ertuğrul KÜRKÇÜ	Turkey / <i>Turquie</i>		ZZ...
19.	Mr	Serhii KIRAL	Ukraine		ZZ...
			United Kingdom / <i>Royaume-Uni</i>		
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ex officio: Ms Stella KYRIAKIDES (Chairperson, Cyprus, *Présidente, Chypre*)

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Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter
Sous-commission sur la Charte sociale européenne

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