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

### Synopsis of the meeting held in Strasbourg from 23 to 26 April 2018

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

- **Monday, 23 April 2018, at 2 pm**, with first Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC), Chairperson, then Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), first Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
  - ***Striking a balance between the best interest of the child and the need to keep the families together*** (*Rapporteur: Mr Valeriu Ghiletschi, Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD*): considered a draft report and agreed to come back to this issue later in the week;
  - ***Changes in Sub-Committees***: approved the following change:
    - Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize**
      - ✓ Mr Wojciech Bakun (Poland, EC) becomes the alternate of Ms Agnieszka Pomaska (Poland, EPP/CD);
- **Tuesday, 24 April 2018, at 2 pm**, with Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), first Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
  - ***Climate change and implementation of the Paris Agreement*** (*Rapporteur: Lord John Prescott, United Kingdom, SOC*): took position on the nine amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
  - ***Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize***: heard a report from the Sub-Committee Chairperson on the meeting held the same morning, and approved the proposals submitted by the Sub-Committee for the different prizes (see Appendix);
  - ***Children's mental health and child-friendly justice***: follow-up event to the Parliamentary Seminar on "Children's mental health and child-friendly justice" organised by the UK Parliament in co-operation with the Sub-Committee on Children, in London on 6-7 November 2017:
    - heard a statement by Mr Michele Nicoletti, President of the Parliamentary Assembly;
    - heard a presentation of the report on "Children's mental health and child-friendly justice" from Baroness Doreen Massey, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee;
    - held a hearing with the participation of:
      - Ms Maryam Bi, YoungMinds, United Kingdom;
      - Mr Victor Azubuike, Student, University of Warwick, United Kingdom;
      - Ms Stella Kyriakides, former President of the Parliamentary Assembly;
      - Ms Regina Jensdottir, Head of the Children's Rights Division of the Council of Europe;

- **Wednesday, 25 April 2018, at 2 pm**, with Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), first Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
  - **Nuclear safety and security in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Ms Emine Nur Günay, Turkey, EC*): in the absence of the Rapporteur, decided to examine this issue at its meeting to be held during the June part-session 2018, irrespective of the rapporteur's attendance;
  - **The treatment of Palestinian minors in the Israeli justice system** (*Rapporteur: Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, Switzerland, SOC*): 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 one of the next 2018 part-sessions;
  - **Protecting the rights of people with psychosocial disabilities with regard to involuntary measures in psychiatry** (*Rapporteur: Ms Reina de Bruijn-Wezeman, Netherlands, ALDE*): considered an introductory memorandum and agreed to make it available to the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO) and the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights;
  - **Joint meeting of the Sub-Committee on Children and the Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport**: in the framework of the new Council of Europe campaign "Start to Talk" which addresses child sexual abuse in sport, agreed to hold a joint meeting of the Sub-Committee on Children and the Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport, in Tbilisi, Georgia, on 17-18 October 2018 (*subject to Bureau authorisation*);
- **Thursday, 26 April 2018, at 2 pm**, with Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
  - **Drug-resistant tuberculosis in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Mr Serhii Kiral, Ukraine, EC*): took position on the five amendments tabled to the draft resolution;
  - **Striking a balance between the best interest of the child and the need to keep the families together** (*Rapporteur: Mr Valeriu Ghiletschi, Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD*): considered a revised draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution, with a view to presenting the report for debate in the Assembly during the June part-session 2018;
  - **The role of national authorities in successful decentralisation processes** (*Mr Luís Leite Ramos, Portugal, EPP/CD*): considered a preliminary draft report, agreed to declassify it, as well as to change the title to "The role of national parliaments in successful decentralisation processes" and to propose that the President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Ms Gudrun Mosler-Törnström, be invited to speak in the plenary debate on this report scheduled to be held during the October part-session 2018;
  - **Committee's work programme and priorities:**
    - appointed Ms Carina Ohlsson (Sweden, SOC) rapporteur for opinion on "Forced marriage in Europe" and heard from her a declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
    - **Committee's priorities in view of the budgetary situation:** heard a statement by the Chairperson; with the agreement of Mr Kęstutis Masiulis (Lithuania, EPP/CD), Rapporteur on "Freedom of choice and personal lifestyle," agreed to discontinue work on this report and request to have the reference lapse by decision of the Assembly in accordance with Article 26.4 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure;
    - *appointed Committee representatives to external events as follows (subject to availability of funds):*
  - ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the European Social Cohesion Platform, Strasbourg, France, 3-4 May 2018: Ms Nunzia Catalfo (Italy, NR);
  - ✓ Consultation on human rights and mental health, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland, 14-15 May 2018: Ms Reina de Bruijn-Wezeman (Netherlands, ALDE);

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Group of Experts on Responses to Violence against Children (CAHENF-VAC), Strasbourg, France, 17-18 May 2018: Baroness Doreen Massey (United Kingdom, SOC);
- ✓ “Industrial relations in Europe: Fostering equality at work and cross-country convergence?” ILO Conference organized with the cooperation to the European Commission, Paris, France, 17-18 May 2018: Andrej Hunko (Germany, UEL);
- ✓ Cross-border cooperation in Europe: Decentralisation, legal frameworks and practice,” International Conference, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 25 May 2018: Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD);
- ✓ World Congress on Justice for Children, Paris, France, 28-30 May 2018: Mr Valeriu Ghilechi (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD);
- ✓ General Assembly and Youth Meeting 2018, Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize, Lublin, Poland, 2 June 2018: Mr Ionuț-Marian Stroe (Romania, EPP/CD);
- ✓ 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Lanzarote Committee, Strasbourg, France, 20-22 June 2018: Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE);

– *heard reports from Committee representatives to external events, as follows:*

- ✓ 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ad hoc Committee for the Rights of the Child (CAHENF), 21-23 March 2018, Strasbourg, France: Baroness Doreen Massey (United Kingdom, SOC) on behalf of Lord Don Touhig;
- ✓ 138<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Interactive session on Sustainable Development Goals, 27 March 2018, Geneva, Switzerland: Ms Jennifer De Temmerman (France, NR);
- ✓ 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, 27-28 March 2018, Strasbourg, France: Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD);

– **Date and place of next meetings:**

**Plenary committee:**

- Third part-session 2018 of the Assembly, 25-29 June 2018, Strasbourg;
- Monday 17 September and Tuesday 18 September 2018, Lisbon (Portugal);
- Fourth part-session 2018 of the Assembly, 8-12 October 2018, Strasbourg;
- Tuesday 4 December 2018, Paris (Council of Europe Office).

**Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development:**

- Third part-session 2018 of the Assembly, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*);

**Sub-Committee on Children:**

- Third part-session 2018 of the Assembly, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*);
- Fourth part-session 2018 of the Assembly, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*);
- Joint meeting with the Sub-Committee on Education, Youth and Sport: Wednesday 17 October and Thursday 18 October 2018, Tbilisi, Georgia (*subject to Bureau authorisation*);

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**The Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize**, meeting in Strasbourg on 24 April 2018, with Mr Ionuț-Marian Stroe, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee, in the Chair;

- **Europe Prize 2018:** proposed to award the prize to Ivano-Frankivsk (Ukraine);
- **Plaques of Honour, Flags of Honour and European Diplomas for 2018:** proposed to award these distinctions to 31 towns as shown in the Appendix;
- **General Assembly and Youth Meeting 2018, Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize, Lublin, Poland, 2 June 2018:** was informed about this event;

- **Date and place of the next meetings:** decided to hold its next meetings as follows:
- Presentation ceremony of European Diplomas in Strasbourg: Third part-session 2018 of the Assembly, Thursday 28 June 2018, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*);
  - Europe Prize presentation ceremony, Ivano-Frankivsk (Ukraine) (*date to be confirmed*).

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cc: Secretary General of the Assembly  
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

## APPENDIX

**Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize**

**WINNERS OF THE EUROPE PRIZE,  
THE PLAQUE OF HONOUR, THE FLAG OF HONOUR  
AND THE EUROPEAN DIPLOMA  
FOR 2018**

**1. EUROPE PRIZE**

The **Europe Prize**, which is the highest distinction, is awarded to **Ivano-Frankivsk** (Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast) in Ukraine.

**2. PLAQUES OF HONOUR**

The **Plaque of Honour**, which is the second highest distinction after the Europe Prize, is awarded to 7 municipalities:

France	<b>Aixe-sur-Vienne</b> (Nouvelle-Aquitaine)
Germany	<b>Pfinztal</b> (Baden-Württemberg) <b>Sülzfeld</b> (Baden-Württemberg)
Italy	<b>Cerrione</b> (Piedmont)
Lithuania	<b>Birštonas</b> (Kaunas County)
Poland	<b>Kielce</b> (Świętokrzyskie Voivodship)
Ukraine	<b>Brovary</b> (Kyiv Oblast)

**3. FLAGS OF HONOUR**

The **Flag of Honour** is awarded to 8 municipalities:

France	<b>Beaumont-de-Pertuis</b> (Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur)
Germany	<b>Hannover</b> (Lower Saxony) <b>Markt Pöttmes</b> (Bavaria)
Italy	<b>Benna</b> (Piedmont) <b>Riolo Terme</b> (Emilia-Romagna)
Poland	<b>Kobylnica</b> (Pomeranian Voivodship)
Serbia	<b>Kikinda</b> (Vojvodina)
Turkey	<b>Büyükkçekmece</b> (Istanbul Municipality)

#### 4. EUROPEAN DIPLOMAS

The **European Diploma** is awarded to 16 municipalities:

France	<b>Angers</b> (Pays de la Loire)
Germany	<b>Bad Krozingen</b> (Baden-Württemberg) <b>Stuttgart</b> (Baden-Württemberg)
Italy	<b>Gaeta</b> (Lazio)
Lithuania	<b>Naujoji Akmenė</b> (Šiauliai County)
Poland	<b>Mińsk Mazowiecki</b> (Mazovian Voivodship) <b>Płońsk</b> (Mazovian Voivodship)
Slovak Republic	<b>Zemné</b> (Nitra Region)
Turkey	<b>Ahmetbey</b> (Marmara Region) <b>Edremit</b> (Aegean Region) <b>Kahramankazan</b> (Central Anatolia) <b>Lüleburgaz</b> (Marmara Region) <b>Şişli</b> (Istanbul Municipality) <b>Süleymanpaşa</b> (Tekirdağ Municipality)
Ukraine	<b>Kyiv</b> (Kyiv Municipality) <b>Lviv</b> (Lviv Oblast)