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

Synopsis of the meetings held in Paris on 18 & 19 May 2022

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting in Paris, on **Wednesday, 18 May 2022**, with Ms Selin Sayek Böke (Turkey, SOC), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Vaccine hesitancy: a major public health issue** (*Rapporteur: Ms Carmen Leyte, Spain, EPP/CD*): agreed to modify the title as follows: “Fighting vaccine-preventable diseases through quality services and anti-vaccine myth-busting”, considered a draft report and unanimously adopted a draft resolution as amended, with a view to presenting the report for debate during the June 2022 part-session of the Assembly;
- **Taking into consideration the impact of the fight against the Covid-19 pandemic on the mental health of minors and young adults** (*Rapporteur: Mr Simon Moutquin, Belgium, SOC*): considered an introductory memorandum and authorised the rapporteur to carry out a fact-finding visit to Norway (*subject to the availability of funds*);
- **Committee’s work programme and priorities:**
- considered a draft motion for a resolution on “Addressing the social and economic effects of sanctions” and, in the absence of a quorum, decided to propose the draft motion for signature by members for tabling;
- issued a call for rapporteurs *for report* (to be appointed at a subsequent meeting) as follows:
 - ✓ Detention of the “socially maladjusted” – noted the candidature of Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC)
 - ✓ Children in the world of work: eradicating harmful child labour – noted the candidature of Ms Susana Sumelzo (Spain, SOC)
- issued a call for the post of General Rapporteur on local and regional authorities (to be appointed at a subsequent meeting);
- appointed Committee representatives to external events as follows (*subject to the availability of funds*):
 - ✓ 20th Meeting of the Steering Committee for Human Rights in the fields of Biomedicine and Health (CDBIO), 31 May-3 June, Strasbourg/hybrid: Ms Reina de Bruijn-Wezeman (Netherlands, ALDE) and Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE)
 - ✓ 37th meeting of the Lanzarote Committee, 29 June-1 July, Strasbourg/hybrid (tbc): Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC/DA), Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE), and Ms Martine Wonner (France, ALDE)
 - ✓ What’s new in EU family law? - High-level conference on the Brussels IIb Regulation, 8 September 2022, online: Ms Emine Nur Günay (Turkey, NR)
- **Committee’s work programme and priorities:**
- took note of the Committee of Ministers’ reply to the Assembly’s Recommendation 2185 (2020) on “Artificial intelligence in health care: medical, legal and ethical challenges ahead”;
- **Sub-Committee on Children:** heard a statement from Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC/DA), Sub-Committee Vice-Chairperson, on the meeting held on 18 May 2022 in Paris and approved the proposed PACE child safeguarding policy and the draft terms of reference for a General Rapporteur on child participation for transmission to the Bureau of the Assembly;

- **Changes in Sub-Committees:** approved the following changes:
 - Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter**
 - ✓ Mr Levan Ioseliani (Georgia, NR) became a full member
 - Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development**
 - ✓ Mr Levan Ioseliani (Georgia, NR) became a full member
- **8th Global Conference “Young MPs for climate action”,** 15 and 16 June 2022, Sharm el-Sheikh (Egypt): left it to the Chairperson to appoint the Committee’s representative to this event (*subject to the availability of funds*);
- **Václav Havel Human Rights Prize:** took note of the call for nominations for the 2022 Václav Havel Prize;
- **Health and social protection of undocumented workers** (*Rapporteur: Ms Ada Marra, Switzerland, SOC*): considered a revised introductory memorandum and held a public hearing with:
 - ✓ Ms Liliana Keith, Senior advocacy officer - labour rights and labour migration, PICUM (Platform for International Co-operation on Undocumented Migrants)
 - ✓ Mr Marco Omizzolo, Sociologist, journalist and researcher at Eurispes (Institute for Political, Economic and Social Studies)
- **Securing safe medical supply chains** (*Rapporteur: Ms Jennifer De Temmerman, France, ALDE*): considered a preliminary draft report;
- **Date and place of next meetings:** welcomed the proposal of the Chairperson to hold a meeting of the Plenary Committee and the Network of Contact Parliamentarians for a healthy environment in İzmir, Turkey, on 22-23 September 2022 (*to be confirmed, subject to Bureau authorisation and subject to the availability of funds*)
 - June part-session 2022 of the Assembly, 20-24 June 2022, Strasbourg
 - Thursday 22 September 2022, Paris (Council of Europe Office) OR Thursday 22 and Friday 23 September 2022, İzmir (Turkey) (*to be confirmed, subject to Bureau authorisation and subject to the availability of funds*)
 - October part-session 2022 of the Assembly, 10-14 October 2022, Strasbourg
 - Friday, 2 December 2022, Paris (Council of Europe Office) (*place to be confirmed*)

Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize

- Thursday, 9 June 2022, Strasbourg/Kudo Platform, meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize on the occasion of the General Assembly of the Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize and Youth Forum
- June 2022 part-session of the Assembly, 20-24 June 2022 (*date to be confirmed*), Strasbourg 2022 European Diploma presentation ceremony
- Saturday, 2 July 2022, Amilly (France), 2020 Europe Prize presentation ceremony
- *date to be confirmed*, İzmir (Turkey), 2022 Europe Prize presentation ceremony

The Sub-Committee on Children, meeting in Paris on Wednesday, 18 May 2022, with Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva (Azerbaijan, EC/DA), Vice-Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- approved the proposed draft PACE child safeguarding policy;
- approved the draft terms of reference for a General Rapporteur on child participation;
- **Date and place of the next meetings:** June 2022 part-session of the Assembly, 20-24 June 2022, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*)

The Network of Contact Parliamentarians for a healthy environment, meeting in Paris on Thursday, 19 May 2022, with Mr Rik Daems (Belgium, ALDE), Network Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Organisation of the work of the Network:** held an exchange of views on the methodology and outcomes as well as other activities foreseen in the work programme and heard a call for contributions to finance these activities;
- **Presentation of the 3rd report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC):** held an exchange of views with Ms Yamina Saheb, representative of the IPCC and member of the Working Group III on the Sixth Assessment report of the IPCC, entitled “Climate Change 2022 – Mitigation of Climate Change”;
- **What Mobility for Tomorrow:** held an exchange of views with Mr Nicolas Raillard, Project Manager of the Transformation Plan of the French Economy, The Shift Project (Paris);
- **Promoting youth and child participation to combat the climate crisis:** held a round table with project partners Flavie and Alexis, eco-delegates at “Institution Jeanne d’Arc” in Colombes (France), accompanied by Mr Najib Benarafa;
- **Date and place of next meetings:**
 - informal lunchtime meeting (without interpretation), June part-session 2022 of the Assembly, 20-24 June 2022, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*)
 - Friday 23 September 2022, İzmir (Turkey) (*to be confirmed, subject to Bureau authorisation and subject to the availability of funds*)
 - October part-session 2022 of the Assembly, 10-14 October 2022, Strasbourg (*date to be confirmed*)

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