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23 January 2012

Agenda

1st part of the 2012 Ordinary Session (23-27 January 2012)

adopted by the Assembly on 23 January 2012

Monday 23 January 2012

- 8 a.m. Bureau of the Assembly
- 9.30 a.m. Political groups
- 11.30 a.m. 1. **Opening of the first part of the 2012 Ordinary Session**
(with the longest-serving member of the Assembly in the Chair)
- a. Examination of credentials (Doc. 12828)
 - b. Election of the President of the Assembly
 - c. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2012) 01)
 - d. Appointment of members of committees
(Commissions (2012) 01 + Addenda 1 and 2)
 - e. Requests for debate:
 - under urgent procedure on “The Russian Federation between two elections” and “The state of democracy in Hungary”
 - as a current affairs debate on “The Russian Federation between two elections” and “The state of democracy in Hungary”
 - f. Adoption of the agenda
 - g. Approval of the minutes of proceedings of the Standing Committee
(Edinburgh, 25 November 2011)
2. **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and the Standing Committee**
(12830 Part I + Addendum and Part II)
Rapporteur: Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu (Turkey, EDG)
- Observation of the parliamentary elections in Morocco (25 November 2011) ([Doc. 12832](#))
Rapporteur of the Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau:
Mr Tomáš Jirsa (Czech Republic, EDG)
- Observation of the parliamentary elections in the Russian Federation (4 December 2011)
([Doc. 12833](#))
Rapporteur of the Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau: Mr Tiny Kox (Netherlands, UEL)
- Debate
- 1 p.m. **End of the sitting**
- 2 p.m. Committees
- 3 p.m. 1. **Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and the Standing Committee**
(12830 Part I + Addendum and Part II) (continued)
Rapporteur: Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu (Turkey, EDG)
- Debate and [possibly] vote
- 3.30 p.m. 2. **Communication from Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe**
Questions
- 4.30 p.m. 3. **Free debate**¹
- 5.30 p.m. **End of the sitting**
- 5.40 p.m. Political groups

¹ See Rule 38 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure.

Tuesday 24 January 2012

8.30 a.m. Committees

- 10 a.m. 1. **Election of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights (Doc. 12803)**
(from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
2. **The functioning of democratic institutions in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Doc. 12816)**
Co-rapporteurs of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee):
Mr Jean-Claude Mignon (France, EPP/CD) and Ms Karin S. Woldseth (Norway, EDG)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 23 January at 4 p.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution

- 12 noon 3. **Communication from the Committee of Ministers to the Parliamentary Assembly, presented by the Rt Hon. David Lidington MP, Minister for Europe, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, United Kingdom, representing the Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers**
Questions (Doc. 12829)

1 p.m. **End of the sitting**

2 p.m. Committees

- 3.30 p.m. 1. **Election of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights (Doc. 12803)**
(continued) (from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

2. **The right of everyone to take part in cultural life (Doc. 12815)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media:
Ms Muriel Marland-Militello (France, EPP/CD)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 23 January at 4 p.m.

Statement by Ms Irina Bokova, Director General of UNESCO

Debate and vote on a draft recommendation

3. **Guaranteeing the authority and effectiveness of the European Convention on Human Rights (Doc. 12811)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights:
Ms Marie-Louise Bemelmans-Vidéc (Netherlands, EPP/CD)²
Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 23 January at 4 p.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation

8 p.m. **End of the sitting**

² As the rapporteur is no longer a member of the Assembly, the report will be presented by another member of the Committee.

Wednesday 25 January 2012

- 8.30 a.m. Political groups
- 10 a.m. 1. **[Possibly 2nd round] Election of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights (Doc. 12803)** (from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
2. **The situation in Belarus (Doc. 12820)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy:
Mr Andres Herkel (Estonia, EPP/CD)
Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights (for opinion) (Doc.): Ms Marieluise Beck (Germany, ALDE)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Tuesday 24 January at 10.30 a.m.
- Debate and vote on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation
- 12 noon 3. **Address by Mr Grigol Vashadze, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia**
Questions
- 1 p.m. **End of the sitting**
- 2 p.m. Committees
- 3.30 p.m. 1. **Address by Ms Tarja Halonen, President of Finland**
Questions
- 4.30 p.m. 2. **Address by the Rt Hon. David Cameron MP, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom**
Questions
- 5.30 p.m. 3. **The honouring of obligations and commitments by Serbia (Doc. 12813)**
Co-rapporteurs of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee):
Mr Davit Harutyunyan (Armenia, EDG) and Mr Indrek Saar (Estonia, SOC)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Tuesday 24 January at 4 p.m.
- Debate and vote on a draft resolution
4. **Protecting human rights and dignity by taking into account previously expressed wishes of patients (Doc. 12804)**
Rapporteur of the Social, Health and Family Affairs Committee:
Mr Jordi Xuclà i Costa (Spain, ALDE)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Tuesday 24 January at 4 p.m.
(amendments will be considered by the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development)
- Debate and vote on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation
- 8.30 p.m. **End of the sitting**

Thursday 26 January 2012

8.30 a.m. Committees

10 a.m. 1. **Current affairs debate:
The Russian Federation between two elections**

Debate

11.30 a.m. 1. **[Possibly³] Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Ukraine (Doc.)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs: ...
Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 25 January at 10.30 a.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution

12 noon 3. **Annual activity report 2011 by the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights (CommDH(2012)1)**

Statement by Mr Thomas Hammarberg, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

Questions

1 p.m. **End of the sitting**

2 p.m. Committees

3.30 p.m. 1.a. **Advancing women's rights worldwide (Doc. 12812)**
*Rapporteur of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination:
Ms Lydie Err (Luxembourg, SOC)*
Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 25 January at 4 p.m.

1.b. **Promoting the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Doc. 12810)**

*Rapporteur of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination:
Mr José Mendes Bota (Portugal, EPP/CD)*
Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 25 January at 4 p.m.

Statement by Ms Michelle Bachelet, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women

Joint debate

Vote on a draft resolution ([Doc. 12812](#))

Vote on a draft resolution ([Doc. 12810](#))

2. **The functioning of democratic institutions in Ukraine (Doc. 12814)**

*Co-rapporteurs of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee):
Ms Mailis Reps (Estonia, ALDE) and Ms Marietta de Pourbaix-Lundin (Sweden, EPP/CD)*
Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 25 January at 4 p.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution

7 p.m. **End of the sitting**

7 p.m. **Joint Committee**

³ According to Rule 7.2 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure.

Friday 27 January 2012

8.30 a.m. Bureau of the Assembly

- 10 a.m.**
- 1. Enforced population transfer as a human rights violation (Doc. 12819)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights:
Mr Egidijus Vareikis, (Lithuania, EPP/CD)
Rapporteur of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons (for opinion)
(Doc.): Mr Tuğrul Türkeş (Turkey, EDG)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Thursday 26 January at 10.30 a.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution

- 2. Demographic trends in Europe: turning challenges into opportunities (Doc. 12817)**
Rapporteur of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons:
Ms Nursuna Memecan (Turkey, ALDE)
Deadline for tabling amendments: Thursday 26 January at 10.30 a.m.

Debate and vote on a draft resolution

- 3. Constitution of the Standing Committee**

1 p.m. Closure of the first part of the 2012 Ordinary Session