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Draft Agenda

**of the meeting to be held in Paris
on 13 December 2016 from 9.30am – 5pm**

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- 1. Agenda**
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Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Minutes**
[AS/Jur (2016) PV 07]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Strasbourg from 10-13 October 2016.
- 3. Human Rights compatibility of investor-State arbitration in international investment protection agreements**
Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD
[AS/Jur (2016) 32]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

**This draft agenda, addressed to full members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

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and of political groups*

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4. **Appointment of Rapporteurs**

[Rapporteur table

[Doc. 14154](#), [Doc. 13965](#), [Doc. 14110](#)

Extract from [Doc. 12961](#) – mandate for the general rapporteur on the abolition of the death penalty]

For report:

Opinion on “Draft Protocol amending the Additional Protocol to the Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons (ETS No. 167) and its explanatory report

Compatibility of Sharia law with the European Convention on Human Rights: can States Parties to the Convention be signatories of the “Cairo Declaration”?

(re-appointment following the departure of Ms Meritxell Mateu (Andorra, ALDE) from the Assembly)

Venice Commission’s “Rule of Law Checklist”

General Rapporteur on the abolition of the death penalty¹:

Term of office: one year renewable, subject to a maximum of two years

(re-appointment following the departure of Ms Meritxell Mateu (Andorra, ALDE) from the Assembly)

5. **Call for candidatures for rapporteurs**

[Doc. 14167](#), [Doc. 14171](#), [Doc. 14032](#)

[Doc. 14072](#), [Doc. 13551](#)]

For report:

Prosecuting and punishing the crimes against humanity or even possible genocide committed by Daesh

Fighting organised crime by facilitating the confiscation of illegal assets

Counter-Narratives to Terrorism

For opinion:

Setting minimal standards for electoral systems in order to offer the basis for free and fair elections (Opinion)

(Rapporteur for Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Ms Elena Centemero (Italy, EPP/CD))

Corruption as governance regime: a barrier to institutional efficiency and progress (Opinion)

(re-appointment following the departure of Ms Meritxell Mateu (Andorra, ALDE) from the Assembly

(Rapporteur for the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Mr Michele Nicoletti (Italy, SOC)

11am – 11.45am

6. **25 years of the CPT, achievements and improvements needed**

Rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà, Spain, ALDE

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Exchange of views with the Chairperson of the CPT, Mr Mykola Gnatovskyy

¹ The terms of reference of this General Rapporteurship can be found in the extract of [Doc. 12961](#).

11.45am – 1pm - Hearing

7. Abusive use of the Interpol system: the need for more stringent legal safeguards

Rapporteur: Mr Bernd Fabritius, Germany, EPP/CD
[AS/Jur (2015) 08]

Exchange of views with:

Mr Jürgen Stock, Secretary General of Interpol, Lyon, France
Ms Herta Däubler-Gmelin, former Federal Minister of Justice, Germany
Mr Jago Russell, Chief Executive, Fair Trials, London, United Kingdom

2.30pm -3.15pm

8. Securing access of detainees to lawyers

Rapporteur : Ms Marietta Karamanli, France, SOC
[AS/Jur (2016) 35]
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3.15pm – 4.15pm - Hearing

9. Jurisdictional immunity of international organisations and rights of their staff

Rapporteur: Mr Volker Ullrich, Germany, EPP/CD
[AS/Jur (2016) 30]

Hearing with the participation of:

Ms Mireille Heers, Judge, Administrative Tribunal of the Council of Europe, France
Ms Monika Polzin, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Augsburg, Germany
Ms Liesbeth Zegveld, Attorney, Professor at the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

10. Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the Committee

[AS/Jur (2016) 31, [Doc. 14152](#)
AS/Jur (2016) 33, [Doc. 14200](#)
AS/Jur (2016) 36, [Doc. 14206](#)]

11. Sub-committees 2017

[AS/Jur (2016) 37- mandate of the Sub-Committee on relations with UN Human Rights bodies]

Mandate of a proposed new Sub-Committee on relations with UN Human Rights bodies for approval by the plenary Committee

12. Accession of the European Union to the European Convention on Human Rights: election of judges

Rapporteur: Lord Balfe, United Kingdom, EC

Report by Lord Balfe on his recent meeting with Mr Claude Moraes, Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament

13. Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc

Reports by the following representatives:

Mr Philippe Mahoux, (Belgium, SOC) – Venice Commission 14-15 October 2016 and 9-10 December 2016 (tbc)

Mr Sergiy Vlasenko (Ukraine, EPP/CD) - Intergovernmental Group of States against Corruption (GRECO), 17-21 October 2016 (tbc)

Lord Richard Balfe (United Kingdom, EC) the Venice Commission's Council for Democratic Elections, 13 October 2016 and 8 December 2016 (tbc)

14. Other business

15. Next meetings

Plenary Committee:

- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 1st part-session of 2017 (23-27 January 2017)
- Paris, 7 March 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 2nd part-session of 2017 (24-28 April 2017)
- Place to be confirmed, 18-19 May 2017 (subject to approval by the Bureau and the availability of funds)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 3rd part-session of 2017 (26-30 June 2017)
- Paris, 5 September 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2017 (9-13 October 2017)
- Paris, 13 November 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
- Paris, 12 December 2017 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)