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Communication by the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly to the 1297th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies¹ (17 October 2017)

¹ This document covers past activities of the Assembly since the meeting of the Bureau on 9 October 2017 (Strasbourg) and future activities up to the end of the year.

I. Fourth part-session of 2017 (9 – 13 October 2017)

A. Election of the President of the Assembly

1. Following the resignation of Mr Pedro Agramunt, on 10 October 2017, the Assembly elected Ms Stella Kyriakides (Cyprus, EPP/CD) as its President.

B. Personalities

2. The following personalities addressed the Assembly (in chronological order):

- Mr Lubomir Zaorálek, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Chairman of the Committee of Ministers
- Mr Angel Gurría, Secretary General of the OECD
- Mr Miloš Zeman, President of the Czech Republic
- Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Mr Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine
- Mr Gianni Buquicchio, President of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission)

3. Their speeches can be found on the web site of the Assembly: <http://assembly.coe.int>.

C. Debate under urgent procedure and current affairs debate

4. The Assembly held a debate under urgent procedure on: *The new Ukrainian law on education: a major impediment to the teaching of national minorities' mother tongues.*

5. The Assembly held a current affairs debate on *The need for a political solution to the crisis in Catalonia*, introduced by Mr Andrej Hunko (Germany, UEL).

D. Election of two Vice-Presidents of the Assembly

6. On 9 October 2017, the Assembly elected two Vice-Presidents, Ms Nicole Trisse (NR) and Ms Marija Obradovic (EPP/CD), in respect of France and Serbia, respectively.

E. Election of a judge to the European Court of Human Rights

7. On 10 October 2017, the Assembly elected Mr Lado Chanturia as judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Georgia.

F. 2017 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

8. On 9 October 2017, the Assembly awarded the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize to Mr Murat Arslan (Turkey). Diplomas were awarded to the Hungarian Helsinki Committee (Hungary) and Father Georg Sporschill (Austria) (see Appendix 1). The 2018 edition of the Prize will be launched on 15 January 2018.

G. Joint Committee

9. On 12 October 2017, the Joint Committee held a meeting to discuss:

- The calendar for the election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe;
- Follow-up to be given to Assembly Resolution 2186 (2017) on *Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe.*

On 13 October 2017, the Bureau decided on the follow-up to be given to the meeting of the Joint Committee held on the eve, namely:

- i. *as regards the calendar for the election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe*: agreed that the current calendar should be shortened and instructed the Secretary General of the Assembly to draft a memorandum proposing changes to the Regulations, to be considered at its next meeting;
- ii. *as regards the follow-up to be given to Resolution 2186 (2017) on the Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe*: agreed to discuss the matter further and asked the President of the Assembly to liaise with the Chairman of the Committee of Ministers to this end.

H. Media coverage

The media coverage of the fourth session was one of the highest in recent years in terms of quantity and quality, with 90 journalists accredited, some 700 articles (provisional figures) in the international and key national print and electronic media, as well as major audiovisual coverage. Overall, their geographic distribution reflected the PACE agenda, with strong coverage found in Ukraine, Russian Federation, Czech Republic, Azerbaijan, Cyprus and Spain and other international media.

The resignation of Pedro Agramunt and the election of Stella Kyriakides as new PACE president, together with Czech President Miloš Zeman's address to the Assembly, attracted the most media coverage.

The debate on *Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe* generated substantial media coverage in the international and regional media, as also did the Assembly's decision to award the 2017 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize to Murat Arslan.

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko's address to the Assembly and the debate on Ukraine's new education law were widely reported. Also extensively covered were the two adopted texts on Azerbaijan, the debate on the need for a political solution to the crisis in Catalonia and the adoption of a revised Code of Conduct for Assembly members.

There were 14 video edits requested by and sent to news agencies (*ENEX, Reuters, Ruptly TV, EVN, ARTE, APTN, AFP*) during the autumn Session, more than three times the number of requests/offers made during the June session.

The Assembly's social media accounts saw record activity, with most interest in the Vaclav Havel Prizewinner, the election of a new President and the speech by President Petro Poroshenko. There were 370,000 Twitter "impressions" across the week, a record. The Facebook post on Mrs Kyriakides' election reached 6,300, also a record.

The MediaBox, a web-TV studio available to all those making news at the Assembly, recorded and edited some 40 interviews with parliamentarians and participants in plenary debates and side-events.

I. Adopted texts

10. Further to debates, the Assembly adopted the following texts:

Recommendations

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| Recommendation 2113 (2017) | Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe (Doc. 14396) |
| Recommendation 2114 (2017) | Defending the <i>acquis</i> of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental co-operation (Doc. 14406) |
| Recommendation 2115 (2017) | The use of new genetic technologies in human beings (Doc. 14328) |

Recommendation 2116 (2017) Promoting the human rights of and eliminating discrimination against intersex people (Doc. 14404)

Resolutions

Resolution 2181 (2017) The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2016-2017 (Doc. 14401)

Resolution 2182 (2017) Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members (Doc. 14407)

Resolution 2183 (2017) Evaluation of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of Jordan (Doc. 14399)

Resolution 2184 (2017) The functioning of democratic institutions in Azerbaijan (Doc. 14403)

Resolution 2185 (2017) Azerbaijan's Chairmanship of the Council of Europe: what follow-up on respect for human rights? (Doc. 14397)

Resolution 2186 (2017) Call for a Council of Europe Summit to reaffirm European unity and to defend and promote democratic security in Europe (Doc. 14396)

Resolution 2187 (2017) Venice Commission's "Rule of Law Checklist" (Doc. 14387)

Resolution 2188 (2017) New threats to the rule of law in Council of Europe member States: selected examples (Doc. 14405)

Resolution 2189 (2017) The new Ukrainian law on education: a major impediment to the teaching of national minorities' mother tongues (Doc. 14415)

Resolution 2190 (2017) Prosecuting and punishing the crimes against humanity or even possible genocide committed by Daesh (Doc. 14402)

Resolution 2191 (2017) Promoting the human rights of and eliminating discrimination against intersex people (Doc. 14404)

Resolution 2192 (2017) Youth against corruption (Doc. 14395)

11. All these texts can be found on the web site of the Assembly: <http://assembly.coe.int>.

J. Hearings and side-events organised during the part-session

Monday 9 October 2017	
<p>2–3 pm Room 5, Palais</p> <p>Joint meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination and Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p>	<p>► Hearing on “women and breast cancer” with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Elizabeth Bergsten Nordström, President of the Swedish Breast Cancer Association and Former President of Europa Donna, European Breast Cancer Coalition (Sweden); • Ms Donata Lerda, European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer (ECIBC), Joint Research Centre
<p>2 – 3 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on Resolution 2162 (2017) on Alarming developments in Hungary: draft NGO law restricting civil society and possible closure of the European Central University</p> <p>in the context of the follow-up to the report by Mr Mogens Jensen (Denmark, SOC), with the participation of members of the Hungarian delegation to the Assembly</p>
<p>2–3 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on the Draft Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (CETS No. 108) and its Explanatory Report</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Raphaël Comte (Switzerland, ALDE), with the participation of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Jean-Philippe Walter Vice-Chair of the Consultative Committee of the Convention for the protection of individuals with regard to automatic processing of personal data
Tuesday 10 October 2017	
<p>8.30 – 10 am Room 1, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on Resolution 2172 (2017) on The situation in Belarus</p> <p>in the context of the follow-up to the report by Mr Andrea Rigoni (Italy, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Andrei Naumovich, Head of the working group on the death penalty issue, National Assembly of Belarus • Ms Elena Anissim, member of the Standing Committee on education, culture and science, National Assembly of Belarus • Mr Ales Bialiatski, Viasna Human Rights Centre • Mr Vital Rymasheuski, Belarusian Christian Democracy Party <p>► Enlarged debate on The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2016-2017</p> <p>in the context of the report by Alfred Heer (Switzerland, ALDE), with the participation of delegations of national parliaments of OECD member States which are not members of the Council of Europe</p>

Tuesday 10 October 2017

<p>8.30 – 10 am Room 3, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p>	<p>► Women in the economy: promoting gender equality and women’s access to STEM education and careers (science, technology, engineering and maths)</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Ms Elena Centemero (Italy, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Kathleen Noonan, Director, Philanthropies & Education Communications, Microsoft Europe; • Mr Julian Lambertin, Managing Director Europe, Middle-East and Africa (EMEA), KRC Research, Cologne (Germany).
<p>8.30 – 10 am Room 3, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p>	<p>► Gender equality and child maintenance</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Ms Gisela Wurm (Austria, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Sumi Rabindrakumar, Research Officer, Gingerbread, London; • Ms Amalia Fernández Doyague, Attorney, Chair of the Association of Women Lawyers “Themis”, Madrid.
<p>9.30 – 10 am Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Sub-Committee on Refugee and Migrant Children and Young People</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on the activities of the Council of Europe’s youth sector with young refugees, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Antje Rothemund, Head of the Council of Europe Youth Department • Mr Matthew Johnson, Director, Directorate of Democratic Citizenship and participation, DG II
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 5, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media and Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p>	<p>► Joint hearing on migrants and the media with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Marco Nassivera, Director of Communications, ARTE, Strasbourg • Mr Robert McNeil, Head of Media and Communications, Migration Observatory, University of Oxford • Mr Tom Law, Director of Campaigns and Communications, Ethical Journalism Network, London
<p>2 – 3.30 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on The situation in Syria and its effects upon surrounding countries</p> <p>in the context of the report under preparation by Mr Tobias Zech (Germany, EPP/CD), with the participation of Mr Christian Springer, founder of the non-profit organisation Orientshelfer</p> <p>► Open discussion on current issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent developments in Spain • Recent developments in Turkey •
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Abolition of the Death Penalty: 15th World Day against the Death Penalty”</p> <p>in the context of the general rapporteurship on this subject (General Rapporteur: Mr Yves Cruchten,(Luxembourg, SOC) with the participation of Ms Rose Vines, Ministry Against the Death Penalty, USA</p>

Wednesday 11 October 2017

<p>2.00– 3.30 pm Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons in the framework of the Parliamentary Campaign to End Immigration Detention of Children</p>	<p>► Presentation of a report on the European legal and policy framework on immigration detention of children prepared by FRA</p> <p>by Mr Adriano Silvestri, Head of Sector Asylum, Migration and Borders, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)</p> <p>► Presentation of the Study of immigration detention practices and the use of alternatives to immigration detention of children</p> <p>by Ms Athanassia Sykiotou, Professor, Faculty of Law, Democritus University of Thrace,, Greece</p> <p>► Presentation of the Parliamentary Monitoring Guide on “Visiting places where children are deprived of their liberty as a result of migration procedure” elaborated by the Council of Europe’s Children Right’s Division</p> <p>by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Tomáš Boček, Special Representative of the Council of Europe Secretary General on Migration and Refugees• Ms Regína Jensdóttir, Head of the Children’s Rights Division, Children’s Rights Coordinator, Council of Europe• Mr Julien Attuïl Kayser, Juvenile Justice Officer, Defence for Children, Belgium
<p>2 – 3.30 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on Resolution 2162 (2017) on Alarming developments in Hungary: draft NGO law restricting civil society and possible closure of the European Central University</p> <p>in the context of the follow-up to the report by Mr Mogens Jensen (Denmark, SOC), with the participation of members of the Hungarian delegation to the Assembly</p>
<p>2.00– 3.30 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Hearing on “The need to shed light on the background of the murder of Boris Nemtsov”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Emanuelis Zingeris (Lithuania, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms Zhanna Nemtsova, daughter of Boris Nemtsov, journalist, founder of the Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom, Bonn, Germany• Mr Vadim Prokhorov, attorney at law, legal representative of Ms Zhanna Nemtsova, Moscow, Russian Federation• Mr Vladimir Kara-Murza, Chairman of the Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom, Moscow, Russian Federation
<p>2.30– 3.30 pm Room 3, Palais</p> <p>Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence</p>	<p>► Hearing on Shelters for victims of gender-based violence with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms Anne-Marie Von Arx-Vernon, Former Director of the accommodation centre “Le Cœur des grottes” and expert on action against trafficking in human beings, Geneva ;• Ms Rosa Logar, President and Co-Founder of Women against Violence Europe (WAVE).

<p>8.30 – 9.30 am Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on the study session for young refugees on “Empowering Young Refugees” (9-14 October, European Youth Centre Strasbourg), organised by The voices of Young Refugees in Europe (VYRE) and the EYC (Budapest/Strasbourg), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Cihan Kilic, member of The Voices of Young Refugees in Europe (VYRE) • Mr Cheick Touré, member of The Voices of Young Refugees in Europe (VYRE), ex-refugee minor from Côte-d'Ivoire <p>► Exchange of views on Addressing the humanitarian needs of internally displaced persons: recent lessons and future challenges in Europe</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Killion Munyama (Poland, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Frederik Sundberg, Deputy to the Head of Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law • Mr Eladio Fernandez Galiano, Head of Department for Culture, Nature and Heritage, Directorate General of Democracy, Council of Europe
<p>8.30 – 10.00 am Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on The case for drafting a European Convention on the profession of lawyer</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Ms Sabien Lahaye-Battheu (Belgium, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Laurent Pettiti, Chair of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE) Permanent Delegation to the European Court of Human Rights, Suresnes, France • Mr Piers Gardner, member of the CCBE Permanent Delegation to the European Court of Human Rights, London, United Kingdom • Ms Ayse Bingol Demir, Turkish lawyer; Legal Officer, Media Legal Defence Initiative, London, United Kingdom <p>► Exchange of views on CPT – Public statement concerning Belgium</p> <p>Exchange of views concerning the public statement issued by the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) on 13 July 2017, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Hendrik Daems, Chairperson of the Belgian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly • Mr Mark Kelly, 2nd Vice-President of the CPT and Head of the CPT delegation for Belgium
<p>9 – 10 am Room 3, Palais</p> <p>Joint meeting of the Sub-Committee on Gender Equality of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination and Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p>	<p>► Hearing on the contraception atlas of the European Parliamentary Forum on Population & Development (EPF) with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Marina Davidashvili, Senior Policy Officer, European Parliamentary Forum on Population & Development (EPF), Brussels

III. Other decisions taken by the Bureau on 9 and 13 October 2017

- **Acknowledgement of a new political group (Free Democrats Group): effective date:** on 9 October, the Bureau:
- took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs as well as of the Committee's decision on the interpretation of Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Parliamentary Assembly confirming 4 September 2017 as the date of the acknowledgement of the formation of the group;
- decided to ask the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs to prepare a report on Amending Rule 19 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure on political groups, subject to ratification by the Assembly through the addendum to the Progress report;
- and asked the incoming President of the Assembly and the Secretary General of the Assembly to verify the authenticity of the signatures and the validity of the consent of the members of the FDG group who had resigned from the EC Group;
- **Fourth part-session of 2017 (Strasbourg, 9-13 October 2017):** on 13 October 2017, the Bureau approved the proposals for the follow-up to texts adopted during this part-session made by the Secretary General of the Assembly.
- **Standing Committee (Copenhagen, 23-24 November 2017):** on 13 October 2017, the Bureau took note of the draft agenda of this meeting.
- **First part-session of 2018 (Strasbourg, 22-26 January 2018):** on 13 October 2017, the Bureau drew up the preliminary draft agenda (see Appendix 2).
- **World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 8-10 November 2017):** on 13 October 2017, the Bureau took note of the programme and approved the final composition of the ad hoc committee of the Bureau to participate in the Forum (see Appendix 3).
- **European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT):** on 13 October 2017, the Bureau took note of the letter by the Chairperson of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights; took note of the situation related to the seats in respect of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Spain which would remain vacant as from 19 December 2017; and drew up the lists of candidates in respect of Malta, Turkey and the United Kingdom, to be transmitted to the Committee of Ministers.
- **Other business:**

Non-execution of the judgment in the case of Ilgar Mammadov v. Azerbaijan: on 13 October 2017, the Bureau approved a statement as set out in Appendix 4 calling for opening the procedure foreseen under Article 46.6 of the European Convention on Human Rights as a result of the continuous non-execution by Azerbaijan of the judgment of the European Court of Human Rights in the case of *Ilgar Mammadov*.

Immediate Past President: on 13 October 2017, the Bureau decided to ask the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs whether Rule 20.3 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure could be applied to the past Acting President.

III. Forthcoming activities of Committees and Networks

- **On 27 October 2017, in Paris,** the **Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter** of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development will hold a Parliamentary seminar on *Employment, training and equal opportunities: how to ensure fair treatment and inclusion for all* (in the framework of promoting implementation of the European Social Charter and partly funded by the Partnership for Good Governance).

- **On 14 November 2017, in Paris**, the **Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy** will hold an exchange of views on *Assessing political consequences of foreign funding of Islam in Europe* in the framework of the preparation of the report by Ms Doris Fiala (Switzerland, ALDE), with the participation of Mr Jean-Pierre Chevènement, President of the Islam Foundation of France.
- **On 20 November 2017 in Strasbourg**, the **Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons**, in cooperation with the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division will hold a Training Seminar on *Monitoring places where children are deprived of their liberty as a result of immigration procedures* in the framework of the Parliamentary Campaign to End Immigration Detention of Children with the participation of parliamentarians and experts.
- **On 21 November 2017 (morning), in Brussels**, members of the **Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence** will participate in the Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting of the European Parliament on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women 2017 on *The Istanbul Convention: combating violence against women at national and EU level*.
- **On 4-5 December 2017, in Budapest**, the **Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media** will hold exchanges of views on:
 - *Working towards a framework for modern sports governance* in the framework of the preparation of the report by Mr Mogens Jensen (Denmark, SOC) with the participation of experts;
 - *Safeguarding and enhancing Europe's intangible cultural heritage* in the framework of the preparation of the report by Mr Andries Gryffroy (Belgium, NR) with the participation of experts;
 - *Media freedom as a condition for democratic elections* in the framework of the preparation of the report by Ms Gülsün Bilgehan (Turkey, SOC) with the participation of Mr Rast'o Kužel, MEMO 98, Bratislava.
 - *Council of Europe Museum Prize 2018* with Mr José Gameiro, Chairperson of the Judging Panel for the Museum Prize.

IV. Fact-finding visits in the framework of preparation of reports

➤ **Good football governance**

Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE) rapporteur of the *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*, carried out a fact-finding visit to FIFA (Zurich, Switzerland) on **16 October 2017**.

➤ **Family reunification in the Council of Europe member States**

Ms Ulla Sandbæk (Denmark, UEL), rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Brussels on **18-19 October 2017**.

➤ **Assessing political consequences of foreign funding of Islam in Europe**

Ms Doris Fiala (Switzerland, ALDE), rapporteur of the *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Vienna on **23-24 October 2017**.

➤ **State of emergency: proportionality issues concerning derogations under Article 15 of the European Convention on Human Rights**

Mr Raphaël Comte (Switzerland, ALDE), rapporteur of the *Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Turkey on **31 October – 3 November 2017**.

➤ **Migration from a gender perspective: empowering women as key actors for integration**

Ms Gabriella Heinrich (Germany, SOC), rapporteur of the *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Milan, Italy, on **2-3 November 2017**.

➤ ***The honouring of obligations and commitments by Armenia***

Mr Alan Meale (United Kingdom, SOC) and **Mr Giuseppe Galati** (Italy, EPP/CD), Co-rapporteurs of the *Monitoring Committee*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Armenia from **6 to 7 November 2017**.

➤ ***Libya's future between the threats of terrorism and a democratic prospect***

Mr Attila Korodi (Romania, EPP/CD), rapporteur of the *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Tunis, Tunisia, on **7-8 November 2017**.

➤ ***The political transition in Egypt***

Mr Jordi Xuclà (Spain, ALDE), rapporteur of the *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Cairo, Egypt, **7-8 November 2017**.

➤ ***Reshaping the role of education for "digital citizens"***

Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC), rapporteur of the *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Helsinki on **6-7 November 2017** and to Tallinn on **8-9 November 2017**.

➤ ***The status of journalists in Europe***

Ms Elvira Drobinski-Weiss (Germany, SOC), rapporteur of the *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Warsaw on **8-9 November 2017**

➤ ***The honouring of obligations and commitments by Georgia***

Ms Kerstin Lundgren (Sweden, ALDE) and **Mr Titus Corlăţean** (Romania, SOC), Co-rapporteurs of the *Monitoring Committee*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Georgia from **20 to 22 November 2017**.

➤ ***Addressing the humanitarian needs of internally displaced persons: recent lessons and future challenges in Europe***

Mr Killion Munyama (Poland, EPP/CD), rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Tbilisi on **27 November 2017**.

➤ ***Establishment of an EU mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights***

Ms Petra De Sutter (Belgium, SOC), rapporteur of the *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to European Union institutions in Brussels on **27 November 2017**.

➤ ***Women in the economy: promoting gender equality and women's access to STEM education and careers (science, technology, engineering and maths)***

Ms Elena Centemero (Italy, EPP/CD), rapporteur of the *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to the United Kingdom on **4-5 December 2017**.

➤ ***Radicalisation of migrants and diaspora communities in Europe***

Ms Sahiba Gafarova (Azerbaijan, EC), rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Italy (date tbc).

➤ ***Striking a balance between the best interest of the child and the need to keep the families together***

Mr Valeriu Ghileţchi (Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD), rapporteur of the *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Norway in November or December 2017 (dates to be confirmed).

➤ ***Inquiry into growing antimicrobial resistance in Europe***

Mr Serhii Kiral (Ukraine, EC) rapporteur of the *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development* will carry out a fact-finding visit to Norway in November 2017 (*dates to be confirmed*).

V. Seminars and conferences organised by the Assembly

26-27 October, Rome: The *Parliamentary Project Support Division (PPSD)* will organise a seminar on parliamentary integrity for members of the Parliaments of Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina, with the participation of parliamentarians of Serbia, Italy and other Council of Europe member states. This activity is organised in the framework of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe Action Plans for Albania and for Bosnia and Herzegovina for 2016-2017.

27 October, Paris: The PPSD will organise a parliamentary seminar on “Employment, training and equal opportunities: how to ensure fair treatment and inclusion for all”, in cooperation with the PACE Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter. The seminar will be partly financed by the Partnership for Good Governance (PGG).

9 November, Kyiv: The PPSD will organise a seminar on effective law-making for staff of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine. This activity is organised in the framework of the Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine 2015-2017.

9-10 November, London: The PPSD will organise a regional parliamentary conference on “Misuse of administrative resources during electoral processes: a major challenge for democratic elections” in cooperation with the PACE Elections Observation Division. The conference will be financed by the Partnership for Good Governance (PGG).

20-22 November, Strasbourg: The PPSD will organise an information seminar on the Council of Europe for senior staff of the Parliament of Jordan. This activity will be financed by the South Programme II (the Council of Europe-European Union joint programme to foster democracy in Europe’s southern neighbourhood).

24 November, Tirana: In cooperation with the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance and the PACE Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination, the PPSD will organise a parliamentary seminar on “*Combating intolerance, discrimination and hatred – how to improve legislation and enforcement?*”. The activity will be organised in the framework of the PACE Action Plan for Albania for 2016-2017.

6 December, Budapest: The PPSD will organise a regional parliamentary conference on the role of national parliaments in improving independence and pluralism of the media, in cooperation with the PACE Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society. The conference will be financed by the Partnership for Good Governance (PGG).

VI. Co-operation with the Committee of Ministers

12 October 2017, Strasbourg: Meeting of the Joint Committee (as mentioned above).

VII. Co-operation with European Union/European Parliament

On 9 October 2017, the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development and the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination, jointly held a hearing on “women and breast cancer” with the participation of Ms Donata Lerda from the European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer (ECIBC).

In the framework of the preparation of her report on “Family reunification in the Council of Europe member States”, Ms Ulla Sandbæk (Denmark, UEL), rapporteur of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, will have meetings in Brussels on 18-19 October with Mr Matthias Oel, Director, Directorate B "Migration, Mobility and Innovation" and Mr Stephen Ryan, Deputy Head of Unit C3 – Asylum, Directorate C “Migration and Protection”, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission and Ms Christine Roger, Director-General for Justice and Home Affairs, Council of the European Union as well as Ms Tania Fajon and Ms Laura Ferrara, Members of the European Parliament.

On 21 November 2017 (afternoon) in Brussels, members of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence will participate in the Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting of the European Parliament on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women 2017 on "The Istanbul Convention: combating violence against women at national and EU level".

VIII. Co-operation with the Venice Commission

➤ **113th Plenary session of the Venice Commission (8-9 December 2017):** Mr Philippe Mahoux (Belgium, SOC) titular representative of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights is scheduled to attend the session.

➤ **Resolution 2188 (2017) on New threats to the rule of law in Council of Europe member States: selected examples** (Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights: Mr Bernd Fabritius, Germany, EPP/CD), the Assembly asked the opinions from the Venice Commission as requested in paragraph 10 of the Res. 2188 (2017):

“10. The Assembly asks the Venice Commission for an opinion on the compatibility with the Council of Europe's standards on the rule of law of the Polish law of 12 July 2017 on the Ordinary Courts Organisation, as well as of the two draft laws recently submitted to the Sejm by the President of the Republic, on amending the law on the National Council of the Judiciary and on the Supreme Court.”

IX. List of meetings of the Committees, the Bureau and the Presidential Committee

- . **26 October 2017, London:** *Sub-Committee on Relations with OECD and EBRD of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*
- . **27 October 2017, Paris:** *Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*
- . **6-7 November 2017, London :** *Sub-Committee on Children of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*
- . **13 November 2017, Paris:** *Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights*
- . **14 November 2017, Paris:** *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*
- . **15 November 2017, Paris:** *Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)*
- . **16 November 2017, Paris:** *Sub-Committee on Conflicts between Council of Europe Member States of the Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)*
- . **17 November 2017 (morning), Paris:** *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs*

- . **21 November 2017, Bucharest:** *Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities of the Committee on Equality and Non-discrimination*
- . **23 November 2017, Copenhagen:** *Presidential Committee*
- . **23 November 2017, Copenhagen:** *Bureau of the Assembly*
- . **24 November 2017, Copenhagen:** *Standing Committee*
- . **27-28 November 2017, Geneva, Switzerland:** *Sub-Committee on External Relations of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy (to be confirmed)*
- . **4-5 December 2017, Budapest:** *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*
- . **6 December 2017, Budapest:** *Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*
- . **6 December 2017, Paris:** *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*
- . **7 December 2017, Paris:** *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination*
- . **8 December 2017, Paris:** *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*
- . **12 December 2017, Paris (in the morning):** *Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights*
- . **12 December 2017, Paris (in the afternoon):** *Sub-Committee on Human Rights of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights (the Sub-committee will interview the candidates for the post of Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe)*
- . **13 December 2017, Paris:** *Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)*
- . **14 December 2017, Paris,** *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*
- . **14 December 2017, Paris:** *Presidential Committee*
- . **15 December 2017, Paris:** *Bureau of the Assembly (morning)*
- . **15 December 2017, Paris:** *Meeting of the secretaries of national delegations (afternoon)*

APPENDIX 1

Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2017 awarded to Murat Arslan

- 09/10/2017
- Prizes



The fifth Václav Havel Human Rights Prize – which honours outstanding civil society action in defence of human rights – has been awarded to Turkish supporter of the independence of the judiciary Murat Arslan. The €60 000 prize was presented at a special ceremony today at the Palais de l'Europe in Strasbourg, on the opening day of the autumn plenary session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE).

In detention since 2016, Murat Arslan is a former Rapporteur of the Turkish Constitutional Court and President of the now dissolved Association for the Union of Judges and Prosecutors (YARSAV). He is a staunch supporter of the independence of the judiciary.

The two other shortlisted nominees – the Hungarian Helsinki Committee, an NGO which particularly focuses on access to justice and the rights of asylum seekers and refugees, and Father Georg Sporschill (Austria), a Jesuit who has devoted his life to the care of the most vulnerable, notably children, also received diplomas during the ceremony.



APPENDIX 2



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16 October 2017

First part of the 2018 Ordinary Session (22-26 January 2018)

Preliminary draft agenda

Proposals to be submitted to the Bureau of the Assembly on 13 October 2017

Abbreviations

Bur: Bureau of the Assembly

Per: Standing Committee

Pol: Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Jur: Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Soc: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Mig: Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

Cult: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

Ega: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Mon: Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)

Pro: Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

Cdh: Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party

SOC: Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group

EC: European Conservatives Group

ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

UEL: Group of the Unified European Left

FDG: Free Democrats Group

NR: Representatives not belonging to a political group

Symbols

□ Presentation, statement

⌚ Deadline for tabling documents

🗉 Lists (speakers, questions)

🗳️ Votes

Meetings outside the Chamber

Bureau of the Assembly

Monday: 08:00-09:30

Friday: 08:30-10:00

Committees

Monday: 14:00-15:00

Tuesday: 08:30-10:00

Tuesday: 14:00-15:30

Wednesday: 14:00-15:30

Thursday: 08:30-10:00

Thursday: 14:00-15:30

Political groups

Monday: 09:30-11:30

Monday: 17:00-19:00

Wednesday: 08:30-10:00

Monday 22 January 2018

Sitting No. 1 (11:30-13:00)

1. Opening of the part-session

- 1.1. Examination of the credentials
- 1.2. Election of the President of the Assembly
- 1.3. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly
- 1.4. Appointment of members of committees
- 1.5. Request(s) for current affairs debate or debate under urgent procedure
- 1.6. Adoption of the agenda
- 1.7. Approval of the minutes of proceedings of the Standing Committee (Copenhagen, 24 November 2017)

2. Debate

- 2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
 - Presentation by:
 - Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc.)
 - 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 22 January, 10:00)
 - 🗳 [possibly] Vote

Sitting No. 2 (15:00-17:00)

3. Address (15:00-16:00)

- 3.1. Communication from the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
 - Presentation by:
 - Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND
 - 📅 Questions

4. Debate

- 4.1. Free debate
 - 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 22 January, 12:00)

Tuesday 23 January 2018

Sitting No. 3 (10:00-13:00)

5. [Possibly] Elections (10:00-13:00)

5.1. Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

5.2. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

6. Debate

6.1. The need for a citizenship income

□ Presentation by:

○ Ms Nunzia CATALFO (Italy, NR), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 22 January, 16:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 22 January, 16:00)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

7. Address (12:00)

7.1. HRH The Crown Princess of Denmark

Sitting No. 4 (15:30-20:00)

8. [Possibly] Elections (continued) (15:30-17:00)

8.1. Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

8.2. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

9. Address (15:30-16:30)

9.1. Communication from the Committee of Ministers

□ Presentation by:

○ Mr Anders SAMUELSEN, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark, Chairperson of the Committee of Ministers

📅 Questions

🕒 Written questions (deadline for tabling: Monday 15 January, 11:30)

10. Debate

10.1. Humanitarian consequences of the war in Ukraine

□ Presentation by:

○ Mr Egidijus VAREIKIS (Lithuania, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 23 January, 12:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 22 January, 16:00)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

11. Debate

11.1. The protection and promotion of regional and minority languages in Europe

□ Presentation by:

○ Ms Rózsa HOFFMANN (Hungary, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc.)

○ Ms Elvira KOVÁCS (Serbia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Ega (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 23 January, 12:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 22 January, 16:00)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

Wednesday 24 January 2018

Sitting No. 5 (10:00-13:00)

12. [Possibly] [Possibly 2nd round] Elections (10:00-13:00)

12.1. Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

12.2. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

13. Debate

13.1. The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January 2017-December 2017) and the periodic review of the honouring of obligations by Estonia, Ireland, Greece and Hungary

□ Presentation by:

○ Mr Cezar Florin PREDA (Romania, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 23 January, 19:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 23 January, 10:30)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

14. Address (12:00-13:00)

14.1. Mr Serzh SARGSYAN, President of Armenia

Speech (12:00-12:20)

Questions and replies (12:20-13:00)

📅 Questions

Sitting No. 6 (15:30-20:00)

15. [Possibly] [Possibly 2nd round] Elections (15:30-17:00)

15.1. Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

15.2. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

16. Address (15:30-16:30)

16.1. Mr Lars Løkke RASMUSSEN, Prime Minister of Denmark

Speech (15:30-15:50)

Questions and replies (15:50-16:30)

📅 Questions

17. Joint debate

17.1. Working towards a framework for modern sports governance

□ Presentation by:

○ Mr Mogens JENSEN (Denmark, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc.)

17.2. Good football governance

□ Presentation by:

○ Ms Anne BRASSEUR (Luxembourg, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 24 January, 12:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 23 January, 16:00)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

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18. Debate

18.1. The honouring of obligations and commitments by Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Presentation by:
 - Mr Tiny KOX (Netherlands, UEL), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc.)
 - Sir Roger GALE (United Kingdom, EC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc.)
- 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 24 January, 12:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 23 January, 16:00)
- 🗳️ Vote on ... ()

Thursday 25 January 2018

Sitting No. 7 (10:00-13:00)


19. [Possibly] Debate under urgent procedure or current affairs debate¹

20. Address (12:00-13:00)

20.1. Mr Alexander Van der BELLEN, President of Austria

Speech (12:00-12:20)


Questions and replies (12:20-13:00)

 Questions


Sitting No. 8 (15:30-20:00)

21. Address (15:30-16:30)

21.1. Annual activity report 2017 by the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights


 Presentation by:

- o Mr Nils MUIŽNIEKS, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights


 Questions


22. Debate


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

 Presentation by:

- o Mr Volker ULLRICH (Germany, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc.)
- o Mr Stefan SCHENNACH (Austria, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Soc (Doc.)


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
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
23.1. Protecting children affected by armed conflicts

 Presentation by:

- o Ms Sevinj FATALIYEVA (Azerbaijan, EC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc.)

 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 25 January, 12:00)

 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 24 January, 16:00)

 Vote on ... ()

Friday 26 January 2018

Sitting No. 9 (10:00-13:00)

24. Debate

24.1. The case for drafting a European Convention on the profession of lawyer

□ Presentation by:

- o Ms Sabien LAHAYE-BATTHEU (Belgium, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 25 January, 19:00)

⌚ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 25 January, 10:30)

🗳️ Vote on ... ()

25. Debate

25.1. Strengthening international regulations against trade in goods used for torture and the death penalty

□ Presentation by:

- o Mr Vusal HUSEYNOV (Azerbaijan, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc.)

📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 25 January, 19:00)

⌚ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 25 January, 10:30)

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26. Progress report

26.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee

27. Constitution of the Standing Committee

28. Closure of the part-session

APPENDIX 3

Bureau of the Assembly Bureau de l'Assemblée

12 October 2017

**Ad Hoc Committee to participate in the
World Forum for Democracy
on 8-10 November 2017 in Strasbourg**

**Commission ad hoc pour participer au
Forum mondial de la démocratie
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APPENDIX 4



PRESS RELEASE

Communication Division

Call for referral of Mammadov case to the Strasbourg Court 'as soon as possible' on question of whether Azerbaijan has failed to abide by the judgment

Strasbourg, 13.10.2017 - In view of the continuous non-execution by Azerbaijan of the judgment of the European Court of Human Rights in the case of Ilgar Mammadov vs. Azerbaijan, the Bureau of the Assembly calls on High Contracting Parties to the European Convention on Human Rights to apply, as soon as possible, the procedure foreseen under [Article 46.4 of the Convention](#).

Le Bureau de l'APCE demande à saisir la Cour de Strasbourg 'dès que possible' de la question du respect, par l'Azerbaïdjan, de son obligation de se conformer à l'arrêt Mammadov

Strasbourg, 13.10.2017 - Étant donné que l'Azerbaïdjan persiste à ne pas se conformer à l'arrêt rendu par la Cour européenne des droits de l'homme en l'affaire Ilgar Mammadov c. Azerbaïdjan, le Bureau de l'Assemblée appelle les Hautes Parties contractantes à la Convention européenne des droits de l'homme à appliquer, dès que possible, la procédure prévue à [l'article 46.4 de la Convention](#).

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