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Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Programme of the fact-finding visit by

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Rapporteur of the Committee on

The political transition in Egypt

**Cairo, Egypt
5-7 December 2016**

Monday 5 December 2016

- 09.00 Working breakfast with representatives of the diplomatic community, at the Residence of the Spanish Ambassador, Mr Arturo Avello, with the participation of:
- Mr André Parant – Ambassador of France
Mr Julius Georg Luy – Ambassador of Germany
Mr Serge Kirpichenko – Ambassador of Russia
Mr Laurens Westhoff – Ambassador of Netherlands
Ms Veronika Kuchunova Smigolova – Ambassador of Czech Republic
Mr Arvydas Daunoravicius – Ambassador of Lithuania
Ms Sibille de Cartier d'Yves – Ambassador of Belgium
Ms Madalena Lobo Fischer – Ambassador of Portugal
Ms Jessica Olausson – Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Sweden
Mr Ali Riza Güney – Chargé d'Affaires of Turkey
Mr Reinhold Brender – Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the European Union Delegation
Ms Lourdes Meléndez, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain
Ms Rossana Roselló, Political Counsellor, Embassy of Spain
- 11.30 Audience with H.H. Pope Tawadros II
- 13.00 Meeting with H. E. Dr Ahmed Al-Tayyeb, Grand Imam of al-Azhar Mosque
- 15.30 Meeting with Mr Anwar El Sadat, member of the Egyptian Parliament
- 17.00 Meeting with Ms Mozn Hassan, Head of Nazra for Feminist Studies
- 18.00 Meeting with Dr Essam Khalil, President, and Mr Nader El-Sharkawy, Secretary General of the Free Egyptians Party
- 20.00 Working dinner with representatives of Egyptian civil society at the Residence of the Spanish Ambassador, Mr Arturo Avello, with the participation of:
- Dr Hala Mustafa, Political researcher
Dr Ibrahim Awad, Political Researcher
Dr Ibrahim Negm, Senior Advisor to the Grand Mufti of Egypt
Dr Amr El-Shobaki, Director of the think tank Arab Forum for Alternative Studies
Ms Lourdes Meléndez, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain
Ms Rossana Roselló, Political Counsellor, Embassy of Spain
Ms Ana María Salazar, Head of the Development Cooperation Office in Egypt

Tuesday 6 December 2016

- 10.00 Meeting with Ambassador Laila Bahaa Eldin, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Humanitarian and International Social Affairs
- 11.00 Meeting at the House of Representatives
- 12.00 Meeting with Mr Magdy El Agati, Minister of Legal Affairs and the House of Representatives
- 14.00 Meeting with Ms Maya Morsy, President of the National Council for Women, and with Ambassador Mona Omar, Member of the Board and Chairperson of the International Relations Committee
- 15.30 Meeting with Ambassador Fayza Abul Naga, Presidential Advisor for National Security Affairs
- 17.00 Meeting with Mr Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh, politician and former candidate to the 2012 Presidential elections

- 20.00 Working dinner on the Egyptian economy at the Residence of the Spanish Ambassador, Mr Arturo Avello, with the participation of:
- Ms Leila Mokaddem, Country Manager for the Central Africa Regional Development and Business Delivery Office, African Development Bank
Mr Christophe Lucet, Head of the European Investment Bank, Cairo Regional Office
Dr Alaa Ezz, Secretary General of the Federation of Egyptian Chambers of Commerce (FEDCOC)
Mr Tarek Tawfik, Deputy Chairman of the Egyptian Federation of Commerce and Industry
Mr Sherif Diwany, Founder & Chief Executive Officer of *SolutionsbyDesign*, former Executive Director of the Egyptian Center for Economic Studies
Ms Lourdes Meléndez, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain
Ms Rossana Roselló, Political Counsellor, Embassy of Spain
Ms Cristina Santamaría, Economic and Commercial Counsellor, Embassy of Spain

Wednesday 7 December 2016

- 11.00 Meeting in the House of Representatives with Mr Ahmed Said, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee; Major General Kamal Ahmed Amer, Chairperson of Defence and National Security Committee, and Mr Alaa Abed, Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee
- 12.00 Meeting with Dr Hussein Gohar, International Secretary, Social Democratic Party
- 13.30 Meeting with Ms Lina Attalah, Chief Editor of the online newspaper MADA MASR