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LANZAROTE COMMITTEE

Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe
Convention on the protection of children against sexual
exploitation and sexual abuse (T-ES)

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Draft Annotated Agenda

10th meeting

Strasbourg, 2-4 December 2014

Opening of the meeting: 9.30

Closing of the meeting: 18.00

Venue: Agora building, Room G02

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

Please refer to the "Order of Business" for the actual order in which the following items will be dealt to accommodate a series of constraints.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND UP-DATE ON RATIFICATIONS OF THE CONVENTION

The Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee will open the meeting. His opening remarks will be followed by a "tour de table" on progress by States in ratifying the Convention.

2. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LANZAROTE CONVENTION

2.1 Replies to the Questionnaires: state of play and decision on how to proceed with regard to the State Parties not having replied yet

The Secretariat will provide a brief up-date of the situation. States Parties not having submitted replies to both questionnaires (i.e. "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia") or to the Thematic Questionnaire (i.e. France and the Netherlands) will be invited to notify the Committee about the difficulties encountered.

The Committee might wish to take a decision on how to proceed with respect to these States Parties.

2.2 Exchange of views on what constitutes an "emergency" situation within the context of the monitoring of the Lanzarote Convention

The Lanzarote Committee's Chairperson has been invited to participate in the annual working lunch between the Secretary General of the Council of Europe and the Presidents of the Council of Europe monitoring and advisory bodies.

This year's working lunch will be held on 2 December (from 12:30 onwards – i.e. during the afternoon of the first day of the Lanzarote Committee's 10th meeting). It will focus on the responses that Council of Europe monitoring and advisory bodies may give to emergency situations or urgent requests by States. The aim is to explore ways to improve operational practices of mechanisms with similar aims.

The Lanzarote Committee is invited to reflect on the following in view of providing guidance to its Chairperson prior to his participation in the above mentioned exchange of views:

- What may constitute an "emergency situation" or "urgent request" within the context of the Lanzarote Convention?
- Does Rule 28 (Special reports) provide the Lanzarote Committee with the necessary operational capacity to deal with such "emergency situations" and "urgent requests"?
- What Council of Europe monitoring mechanisms or advisory bodies have aims similar to those of the Lanzarote Committee?

Note: this item will be dealt as a priority on Tuesday 2 December in the morning to enable the Chairperson to participate in the above mentioned working lunch with guidance from the Committee.

2.3 Exchange of views on a draft opinion on Article 23 (solicitation of children for sexual purposes, also known as “grooming”) of the Lanzarote Convention

During its last meeting (9-11 September 2014), the Lanzarote Committee exchanged views on the difficulties Parties may encounter in implementing Article 23. The result of the exchange was the decision to prepare an opinion to guide Parties in the effective implementation of this provision.

During this meeting, the Committee is called upon to pursue its exchange of views on the interpretation of Article 23 of the Lanzarote Convention. The document prepared by the Secretariat (document T-ES(2014)58) is meant to provide a basis for the Committee to frame more precisely the opinion in view of its possible adoption during the 11th meeting (17-19 March 2015).

Note: this item will be dealt on Thursday 4 December to enable Ms Schulman, representative of the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY), to contribute to the discussions.

2.4 Sexual abuse of children in the circle of trust: analysis of replies to the thematic questionnaire

It is recalled that the documents, prepared by the Rapporteurs in cooperation with the Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee, containing observations¹ on replies to specific questions of the Thematic Questionnaire are the basis of the implementation reports that the Lanzarote Committee shall adopt in accordance with its monitoring calendar (see Appendix IV to the draft 1st activity report, document T-ES(2014)18).

During this meeting, the Committee will examine observations prepared by the following Rapporteurs on the following questions:

- Mr Charlie AZZOPARDI (Malta) on question 9.a (legal safeguards to protect and assist the victims);
- Ms Joanna PAABUMETS (Estonia) on question 13 (best interest of the child in investigation and criminal proceedings);
- Ms Maria José CASTELLO-BRANCO (Portugal) on question 14 (child-friendly investigations and procedures).

The Committee should also examine the observations on question 12 (aggravating circumstances). – It is recalled that because of the lack of a Rapporteur these observations were to be prepared by the Secretariat.

All members, participants and observers are invited to intervene in the discussions and examination of the observations on replies to the above questions. All are similarly encouraged to provide further information, particularly with a view to cover the 26 Parties included in the 1st monitoring round.²

¹ The documents containing observations on the replies are not online as they are work in progress in view of the drafting of the implementation reports. The latter will be published online as adopted by the Committee.

² It is recalled that the following Parties are included in the 1st monitoring round : Albania, Austria, Belgium,

Note: Due to the fact that several Rapporteurs may not participate in the whole meeting of the Committee, the order in which the replies to the questions will be examined has been adjusted to match travel schedules. Please therefore refer to the Order of Business for more exact information. Please also note that the examination of the replies to Question 1 (data collection) is postponed to the next meeting.

3. CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

3.1 Update on the possible forthcoming capacity building activity at INTERPOL headquarters

The Secretariat will inform the Committee of any progress in the organisation of a capacity building activity at INTERPOL headquarters in 2015.

3.2 Update on the ONE in FIVE Campaign initiatives

Representatives of the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly and Congress of Local and Regional Authorities will inform the Lanzarote Committee about recent ONE in FIVE Campaign initiatives.

The Secretariat will also inform the Lanzarote Committee about the "[Road to Change](#)" initiative and possible follow-up to it.

3.3 Presentation of activities by international governmental and non-governmental organisations, experts, as well as services of the Council of Europe

3.3.1 Presentation by UNICEF of the [Hidden in Plain Sight Report](#): A statistical analysis of violence against children

3.3.2 Presentation by EUROPOL of activities of relevance to the work of the Lanzarote Committee

The above presentations will be followed by exchanges of views and information sharing on similar studies/activities.

Note: The following presentations have been postponed to a forthcoming meeting:

3.3.1 Presentations by the UN Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, Ms DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO and a representative of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child;

3.3.3 Presentation by a Representative of the Council of Baltic Sea States (CBSS).

Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Spain, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Turkey and Ukraine.

3.4 Participation of the Lanzarote Committee in outside events

- 3.4.1 Debriefing by Mr Guðbrandsson of his presentation of the Lanzarote Committee's 1st activity report to the Committee of Ministers' Rapporteur Group on Human Rights (GR-H, 21 October 2014, Strasbourg) and to the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDCP, 1 December 2014, Strasbourg)
- 3.4.2 Debriefing by Ms Rurka of her participation in the International Seminar of the INGO Conference Lanzarote Working Group (21 October 2014, Castiglione delle Stiviere)
- 3.4.3 Virtual Global Taskforce meeting focusing on Transnational Child Sex Offences (5-6 November 2014, Amsterdam) – This debriefing is postponed to a forthcoming meeting (as Mr Planken, who participated in it on behalf of the Lanzarote Committee, may not participate in the current Lanzarote Committee meeting as it takes place at the same time as the Cybercrime Convention Committee meeting which he chairs).
- 3.4.4 Debriefing by Ms Verzivoli of her participation in the 1st meeting of the Committee of Experts on the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2016-2019 (DECS-ENF, 13-14 November 2014, Strasbourg) – The Secretariat of the DECS-ENF might wish to add further information.
- 3.4.5 Debriefing by Ms Šidlauskiene concerning the Conference on Progress in protecting children's rights, (6-7 November 2014, Vilnius) organized by her authorities – Mr Guðbrandsson and/or Ms Verzivoli who intervened in the Conference, might wish to add further information.
- 3.4.6 Debriefing by Mr Nikolaidis of his participation in the 12th meeting of the League of Arab States' Violence against Children Committee (12 November, Cairo).
- 3.4.7 Debriefing by Mr Guðbrandsson of his participation in the UNICEF Conference for Central and Eastern Europe on Child Protection Systems (14-15 November Minsk).

4. Other Business

- 4.1 Review of the Rules of procedure of the Lanzarote Committee

This item has to be postponed to a forthcoming meeting as there was no time to prepare a revised version of the Lanzarote Committee's Rules of Procedures.

5. Dates of the next meetings

- 17-19 March 2015
- 15-17 June 2015
- 13-15 October 2015