



Strasbourg, 18 March 2005

Greco (2005) 4E

22nd GRECO Plenary Meeting
(Strasbourg, 14-18 March 2005)

DECISIONS

At its 22nd Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 14-18 March 2005), the Group of States against corruption (GRECO):

1. adopted the agenda (Greco (2005) OJ22);

Information by the President

2. took note of the information provided by the President, as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2005) 5E);

Information by the Executive Secretary

3. took note of the information provided by the Executive Secretary as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2005) 5E);

Second Evaluation Round

4. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Albania (Greco Eval II Rep (2004) 8E);
5. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Denmark (Greco Eval II Rep (2004) 6E);
6. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Sweden (Greco Eval II Rep (2004) 9E);
7. invited the authorities of Albania, Denmark and Sweden to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports mentioned in decisions 4, 5 and 6 above;
8. approved the composition of Second Round Evaluation Teams in charge of the evaluation of the Czech Republic and Portugal (Greco Eval II (2003) 1bil of 14 March 2005);

First Round Compliance Procedure

9. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on the Czech Republic (Greco RC-I (2004) 12E);
10. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Hungary (Greco RC-I (2004) 14E);
11. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on the Netherlands (Greco RC-I (2004) 13E);
12. noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Hungary authorise publication of the report mentioned in decision 10 above;
13. invited the authorities of the Czech Republic and the Netherlands to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the RC Reports mentioned in decisions 9 and 11 above;
14. approved the Comments III (Greco Eval I (2005) 2E Revised) prepared by its Special Rapporteur, Mr. Ákos KARA (Hungary), on information provided by the delegation of Georgia pursuant to Rule 32, paragraph 2, al. (i) of GRECO's Rules of Procedure and in accordance with Decisions 12 of GRECO 16 and 17 of GRECO 19;

15. welcomed the further progress reported and urged the Georgian authorities to pursue their efforts with a view to complying with recommendations not yet addressed in an appropriate manner, bearing in mind the observations made in paragraphs 4 to 17 of the Comments III;
16. in the light of the Comments III referred to in decision 14 above, invited the delegation of Georgia to submit to the Executive Secretary, by 6 June 2005, the additional information necessary for the overall assessment by GRECO 24 of Georgia's compliance with GRECO's First Round Recommendations;

Rules of Procedure

17. adopted an amendment to Rule 31 of its Rules of Procedure (Greco (2004) 20 Final) concerning Additional Reports required by First Round Compliance Reports, and instructed the Secretariat to revise its Rules of Procedure accordingly;

Annual Activity Report 2004

18. adopted its Fifth General Activity Report for 2004 (Greco (2005) 1E Final) and instructed the Secretariat to forward it to GRECO's Statutory Committee and to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, in accordance with Article 8, para. 1, iii of the Statute;
19. noted that the President of GRECO would present the report mentioned in decision 18 above to the Committee of Ministers during a hearing which will be held during a forthcoming meeting of the Ministers' Deputies in Strasbourg;

Third Evaluation Round

20. in the light of the round table discussion held on possible themes for its Third Evaluation Round, instructed the Secretariat to prepare proposals (including on the methodology to be applied) for examination by Bureau 29 in view of a decision to be taken by GRECO 23;

Grand Corruption – Presentation by Mr Mark RICHARD (United States of America)

21. decided to postpone the presentation by Mr Mark RICHARD to GRECO 23;

Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

22. noted that the Bureau will hold its 29th meeting in Strasbourg on 18-19 April 2005;
23. decided to hold its 23rd Plenary Meeting in Strasbourg on 17-20 May 2005.