



DIRECTORATE GENERAL I – LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF CRIME PROBLEMS

Strasbourg, 20 April 2007

Greco (2007) 5E

32nd Plenary Meeting of GRECO (Strasbourg, 19-23 March 2007)

SUMMARY REPORT

I. Opening of the meeting

- 1. The 32^{nd} Plenary Meeting of GRECO was chaired by Drago KOS (President, Slovenia). The list of participants appears in <u>Appendix I</u> to this report.
- 2. The President opened the meeting by greeting the recently nominated representatives of the Russian Federation which had joined GRECO as its 44th member on 1 February 2007, having ratified the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS 173). The Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation expressed his country's commitment to playing an active role in international cooperation aimed at fighting corruption. An inter-agency working group, set up by Presidential Decree, had been tasked with formulating proposals for the establishment of a specialised body authorised to coordinate national anti-corruption efforts. Such a body would become GRECO's principal partner.
- 3. Mr Kos informed the plenary that in February he had met Mr V P IVANOV, from the Russian Presidential Administration, who headed the inter-agency working group referred to by the Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation. Mr Kos was convinced that the Russian Federation would progress in their efforts to fight corruption and that the country's membership in GRECO would be of mutual benefit.
- 4. Mr Kos also welcomed all other representatives, referring in particular to those who had been newly nominated.

II. Adoption of the agenda

5. As both rapporteurs were unable to attend the meeting, examination of the draft Second Round Compliance Report on Sweden was postponed to GRECO 33 (May 2007). The agenda was adopted as it appears in Appendix II to this report. The President drew attention to the fact that the second reading of the draft Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on Ukraine would be carried out on Wednesday due to the organisation, on Thursday and Friday, of the Start-up Training Workshop on the theme of Party Funding for the Third Evaluation Round.

III. Information by the President

- 6. With reference to the report of Bureau 38 (cf. Greco (2007) 3E), the President mentioned in particular the following points :
 - following his retirement, Mr Mark Richard (United States of America) had been replaced by Mr Edmond Dunga (Albania) in GRECO's newly formed Bureau;
 - delegations were encouraged to act upon his invitation to Heads of Delegation to propose priority issues for forthcoming plenary tours de table discussions on both general issues and the stage of implementation of certain "common" recommendations issued in GRECO's First and/or Second Evaluation Round reports. Proposals should be sent to the Executive Secretary in writing by 1 May 2007 so that Bureau 39 (11 May 2007) would be in a position to determine the subject matters to be addressed at GRECO's first tour de table to be held during GRECO 33 (cf. the President's letter of 27 February 2007);
 - with reference to the Executive Secretary's letter of 28 November 2006 asking Heads of Delegation to forward their lists of Third Round Evaluators, the President asked those who had not yet responded to the request to do so as soon as possible;

- henceforth, GRECO's evaluation and compliance reports/addenda thereto, would include an invitation to countries to translate the report into the national language and to make the translation public;
- the Mexican Federal Institute for Access to Public Documents would be invited to a hearing at GRECO 33;
- 7. Finally, the President informed the plenary that he was participating in certain activities of the joint Council of Europe/European Commission project "Support to good governance: Project against corruption in Ukraine" (UPAC).

IV. Information provided by the Executive Secretary

- 8. The Executive Secretary reported on the following developments since GRECO's 31st Plenary Meeting (December 2006):
 - in his address to GRECO 31 marking the International Anti-Corruption Day, the Secretary General of the Council of Europe expressed the hope that Italy, Liechtenstein, Monaco and San Marino would soon join GRECO; the former Director General of Legal Affairs then drew the Secretary General's words to the attention of the authorities of those countries by letter dated 19 December 2006; to date no response had been received. However, Monaco had since deposited its instrument of ratification of the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption and as a result would become GRECO's 45th member on 1 July 2007;
 - dates for the first series of third round on-site evaluation visits had been fixed (Finland and the Slovak Republic : 11-15 June, Slovenia and the United Kingdom: 2-6 July 2007); dates for visits to the second wave of countries would be fixed shortly;
 - the Bureau had agreed to pursue, at its 39th meeting, its discussion on the level of compliance with recommendations from the First and Second Evaluation Round, on the basis of an analysis of partly and non-implemented recommendations to be finalised by the Secretariat for consideration by Bureau 39 (11 May 2007);
 - the Communication on review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) adopted by GRECO 31 (December 2006) had been formally transmitted to the First Conference of States Parties to the UNCAC (Amman, Jordan, 10-14 December) which had been attended by the Executive Secretary. Copies of resolutions 1/1 (review of implementation) and 1/2 (information-gathering mechanism on the implementation of the UNCAC) adopted by the conference were made available. Decision 1/1 refers to a "mechanism or body to assist in the effective implementation of the Convention" the format of which has not yet been defined. Decision 1/2 relates in particular to a so-called self-assessment checklist, a draft of which had been circulated at the conference. The checklist was designed to help countries generate their own report on the implementation of the UNCAC and to help in particular assess technical assistance needs. The checklist has meanwhile been communicated to the States Parties for completion, and the results of the exercise will be presented to the COSP at its second session. Overall, it was a significant achievement that agreement was reached by the conference on the need for a mandatory review mechanism and on the need to avoid duplication with existing international and regional review mechanisms;
 - he had also participated in a UNODC Expert Group Meeting (Vancouver, Canada, 9-11 March 2007) which, *inter alia*, examined the question of possible

further developments of the above-mentioned self-assessment checklist which may well involve the production of a "universal survey instrument", accompanied by a reporting guide, for the collection of more detailed qualitative information. Further decisions concerning the review process, including the content of a survey instrument would be taken by the Conference of States Parties to the UNCAC at its second session in 2007.

V. Joint First and Second Round Evaluation procedure - Ukraine

- 9. Having heard introductory presentations by the members of the Evaluation Team (cf. list of participants) and comments by the representatives of the country concerned, a first reading of the draft evaluation report and plenary discussions followed. A second reading of a revised draft prepared by the Secretariat in the light of the debate preceded the adoption of the report.
- 10. GRECO adopted after two readings the Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on Ukraine (Greco Eval I-II Rep (2006) 2E).
- 11. The authorities of Ukraine were invited by GRECO to authorise, as soon as possible, publication of the report.

VI. First Round Compliance procedure – Albania, Czech Republic, Hungary, Lithuania, Netherlands, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"

- 12. The draft Addenda to the First Round Compliance Reports were based on information provided by the authorities of the countries concerned as required by the conclusions of GRECO's First Round Compliance Reports. Following a detailed reading, GRECO adopted the Addenda to the First Round Compliance Reports on Albania (Greco RC-I (2004) 11E Addendum), the Czech Republic (Greco RC-I (2004) 12E Addendum), Hungary (Greco RC-I (2004) 14E Addendum), Lithuania (Greco RC-I (2004) 6E Addendum), the Netherlands (Greco RC-I (2004) 13E Addendum) and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" (Greco RC-I (2004) 15E Addendum) and thus terminated the first round compliance procedure in respect of those countries.
- 13. GRECO noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Albania, the Czech Republic, Hungary and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" authorised the publication of the Addenda concerning their respective countries.
- 14. The authorities of Lithuania and the Netherlands were invited to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the Addenda concerning their respective countries.

VII. Second Round Compliance Procedures - Belgium, Denmark, France

- 15. The draft Second Round Compliance Reports on Belgium, Denmark and France were prepared on the basis of Situation Reports forwarded by the relevant authorities and in consultation with Rapporteurs designated on behalf of Andorra and Moldova for Belgium, Norway and Spain for Denmark and Belgium and Romania for France. The rapporteurs communicated their observations on the draft compliance reports to the plenary and a detailed reading of each report followed.
- 16. After a first reading, GRECO noted the low level of compliance reflected in the draft Second Round Compliance Report on Belgium. Bearing in mind information provided by the representative of Belgium regarding the imminent adoption of relevant new legislative measures, it was decided to postpone the adoption of the

report to GRECO 33 (29 May -1 June). The authorities of Belgium were asked, in the meantime, to transmit to the Secretariat any pertinent additional information on the implementation of GRECO's second round recommendations for consideration by the Bureau at its 39^{th} meeting (ie before 11 May 2007 at the latest).

- 17. GRECO adopted the Second Round Compliance Reports on Denmark (Greco RC-II (2007) 2E) and France (Greco RC-II (2006) 12E) and the authorities of both countries were invited to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports.
- 18. The President reminded the plenary that Bureau 39 (11 May 2007) would further examine the issue of levels of compliance with recommendations from GRECO's First and Second Evaluation Rounds (cf. Bureau 38 report Greco (2007) 3E). The issue raised at the present meeting as regards what level of compliance should trigger the application of the non-compliance procedure (Rule 32 of the Rules of Procedure) would be considered on that occasion.
- 19. In order to ensure consistency, reference was made by the representative of Denmark to decision 7 adopted by GRECO 14 (July 2003): "... Compliance Reports (RC) will not contain any reference to possible information provided by members in their Situation Reports on the implementation of observations made in the evaluation report concerning them". The President informed the plenary that Bureau 39 (11 May 2007) would address the question of a possible amendment to GRECO's Rules of Procedure to reflect that earlier decision.

VIII. Seventh General Activity Report (2006)

20. GRECO adopted its Seventh General Activity Report (2006) (Greco (2007) 1E Final) – including a chapter on "the protection of whistleblowers" prepared by Mr Paul STEPHENSON, Public Concern at Work (United Kingdom), who had been a member of GRECO's Bureau during the Second Evaluation Round. The Secretariat was instructed to forward the report to GRECO's Statutory Committee and to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 1, iii of the Statute.

IX. Third Evaluation Round

- 21. The Start-up training workshop on Political Party Funding was held on 22-23 March. It had been designed to provide third round evaluators and delegation members with expert insight into the issues which would be covered under Theme II of GRECO's Third Evaluation Round. Eight specialists acted as intervenors (cf. Programme reproduced in Appendix III). Referring to GRECO's evaluation questionnaire on party funding, research, national systems (regulations and practice) and professional experience, they signalled issues to which evaluators should be attentive during on-site evaluation visits. Practical advice on participation in GRECO evaluations was provided by an experienced evaluator who explained the role of evaluators during the procedure before and during on-site visits and during the elaboration of evaluation reports from the initial drafting stages until adoption. A series of questions and discussions followed each session. An outline of the conclusions of the workshop was presented by Mrs Patricia Peña (former Director of Regulatory Service of the UK Electoral Commission) at the end of the final session.
- 22. The Secretariat was asked to ensure that the conclusions of the workshop be made available to all evaluators for party funding and that they be reflected in the Vademecum for evaluators.

23. There was agreement among GRECO delegations that such a training workshop was of significant use to all parties involved in GRECO's mutual evaluation procedures and a decision was taken to ask the Secretariat to seek ways - subject to the necessary funding being available - for organising a similar workshop on Theme I of the Third Evaluation Round: Incriminations during GRECO 33 (29 May – 1 June).

X. Adoption of decisions

24. The decisions of the 32nd Plenary Meeting were adopted, as they appear in document Greco (2007) 4E.

XI. Dates of forthcoming meetings

25. The 33rd Plenary Meeting would be held in Strasbourg on 29 May - 1 June 2007. GRECO noted that the 39th meeting of the Bureau would take place in Strasbourg on 11 May 2007.

APPENDIX I

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS / LISTE DES PARTICIPANTS¹

ALBANIA / ALBANIE

M. Edmond DUNGA Inspector, Department of Internal Administrative Control , and Anti-Corruption (DIAC) Council of Ministers

ANDORRA/ANDORRE

M. Ivan ALIS SALGUERO (Chef de délégation) Avocat , Assesseur du Ministère de l'Intérieur et de la Justice

ARMENIA / ARMENIE

Mr Artur OSIKYAN (Head of delegation) Deputy Head of the State Tax Service

AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE

Mr Christian MANQUET (Head of delegation)
Head of Unit, Directorate for Penal Legislation, Federal Ministry of Justice

AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAIDJAN

Mr Kamran ALIYEV Head of Department, Prosecutor General's Office

BELGIUM / BELGIQUE

Mle Claire HUBERTS (Chef de délégation)

Conseillère adjointe, Service des questions pénales, générales et int^{ales,} DG de la Législation pénale et des Droits de l'Homme, Ministère de la Justice

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZEGOVINE

Mr Srdja VRANIC

National Public Administration Reform (PAR) Coordinator, Office of the Chairman, Council of Ministers

BULGARIA / BULGARIE

Mr Georgi RUPCHEV (Head of delegation)
Director of International Cooperation and European Integration, Ministry of Justice

CROATIA / CROATIE

Mr Marin MRČELA (Head of delegation)

Vice-Président du GRECO – Vice-President of GRECO

Judge at the County Court in Zagreb

CYPRUS / CHYPRE

Mrs Rena PAPAETI-HADJICOSTA Counsel of the Republic 'A', Law Office of the Republic

¹ The list of participants in the Third Evaluation Round Start-up Training Workshop on Political Party Funding is available on request.

CZECH REPUBLIC / REPUBLIQUE TCHEQUE

Ms Helena LIŠUCHOVÁ (Head of delegation)

International Department, Section for International Organisations and International Co-operation, Ministry of Justice

DENMARK / DANEMARK

Mr Flemming DENKER

Deputy Director, Public Prosecutor for Serious Economic Crime

ESTONIA / ESTONIE

Ms Mari-Liis LIIV (Head of delegation)

Head of Criminal Statistics and Analysis Division, Criminal Policy Department, Ministry of Justice

Mr Mait LAARING

Advisor, Public Law Division, Legislative Policy Department, Ministry of Justice

FINLAND / FINLANDE

Mr Kaarle J. LEHMUS (Head of delegation)

Inspector General of the Police, Ministry of the Interior

Ms Helinä LEHTINEN

Ministerial Advisor, Ministry of Justice, Crime Policy Department

FRANCE

Mme Claire MORICE (Chef de délégation)

Chargée de Mission, Direction des Affaires juridiques, Ministère des Affaires étrangères

GEORGIA / GEORGIE

Mr Vakhtang LEJAVA (Head of delegation) – **Apologised / Excusé**

Deputy State Minister on Reforms Coordination, State Chancellery

GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE

Mr Malte MERZ

State Prosecutor, Ministry of Justice

Mr Wolfgang SCHMID

Senior Prosecutor, Prosecution Office Stuttgart

GREECE / GRECE

Mr Dimitrios GIZIS

Assistant Public Prosecutor, Athens Court of First Instance

HUNGARY / HONGRIE

Mr Ákos KARA (Head of delegation)

Deputy Head of Department, Ministry of Justice

ICELAND / ISLANDE

Ms Ragna ARNADOTTIR (Head of delegation) – Apologised / Excusée

Deputy Permanent Secretary, Director of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Justice

IRELAND / IRLANDE

Ms Therese MOLYNEUX

Assistant Principal Officer, Criminal Law Reform Division, Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform

LATVIA / LETTONIE

Mrs Violeta ZEPPA-PRIEDĪTE

Head of Legal Division, Corruption Prevention and Combating Bureau

LITHUANIA / LITUANIE

Ms Aušra BERNOTIENE (Head of delegation)

Director, Department of International Law, Ministry of Justice

Ms Elena KONCEVICIUTE

International Relations Officer, International Cooperation Division, Special Investigation Service

LUXEMBOURG

M. Jean BOUR (Chef de délégation) - Apologised / Excusé

Procureur d'Etat, Parquet du Tribunal d'Arrondissement de Diekirch

MALTA / MALTE

Mr Silvio CAMILLERI (Head of delegation)

Attorney General, Attorney General's Office, The Palace

MOLDOVA

Mme Cornelia VICLEANSCHI (Chef de délégation)

Procureur, Chef de la Section Générale, Bureau du Procureur Général

REPUBLIC OF MONTENEGRO / REPUBLIQUE DU MONTENEGRO

Ms Vesna RATKOVIC, (Head of delegation)

Director, Directorate for Anti-Corruption Initiative

Ms Ana NIKOLIC

Senior Advisor, Directorate for Anti-Corruption Initiative

NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS

Ms Eline WEEDA (Head of delegation)

Senior policy maker at the Investigation Department, Ministry of Justice

Ms Alphones CHAN

Policy officer, Ministry of Justice

NORWAY / NORVEGE

Mr Dag NENNINGSLAND

Senior Adviser, Ministry of Justice and Police

POLAND / POLOGNE

Mr Cezary MICHALCZUK (Head of delegation)

Prosecutor, Department of International Cooperation and European Law, Ministry of Justice

Mme Iwona JANOWSKA-MARCINIAK

Senior Specialist, Ministry of Finance, Bureau of Fiscal Documentation

PORTUGAL

Mr Jorge MENEZES FALCÃO (Chef de délégation)

Conseiller Juridique, Bureau des Relations Internationales, Ministère de la Justice

ROMANIA / ROUMANIE

Ms Laura-Oana STEFAN (Head of delegation)

Director, Department for Relations with the Public Ministry, Crime and Corruption Prevention, Ministry of Justice

RUSSIAN FEDERATION / FEDERATION DE RUSSIE

Mr Oleg SAFONOV (Head of Delegation)

Deputy Minister of the Interior

Mr Sergey GERASIMOV

Deputy Head, Department for Constitutional Rights of Citizens, Administration of the President

Mr Vladimir KALANDA

First Deputy Director, Federal Migration Service

Ms Veronika MILINCHUK

Deputy Director, General Procuratura's Institute of Rule of Law and Legal Order Studies

Mr Ivan VOLODIN

Deputy to the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the Council of Europe

REPUBLIC OF SERBIA / REPUBLIQUE DE SERBIE

Mr Jovan COSIC

Head of Department for normative issues, Ministry of Justice

SLOVAK REPUBLIC / REPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE

Mr Daniel GABČO (Head of Delegation)

Head of the Department of Strategic Analysis and International Co-operation, Combating Corruption Bureau, Police Force Presidium

Ms Alexandra KAPIŠOVSKÁ

Adviser of the Department of International Affairs, Ministry of Justice

SLOVENIA / SLOVENIE

Mr Drago KOS

President of GRECO / Président du GRECO

Chairman, Commission for the Prevention of Corruption

Mr Jure ŠKRBEC

Researcher, Faculty for Criminal Justice, External consultant, Commission for the Prevention of Corruption

SPAIN / ESPAGNE

Mr Rafael VAILLO

Legal Counsellor, Ministry of Justice

SWEDEN / SUEDE

Mrs Lena HÄLL ERIKSSON (Head of delegation)

Director General, Ministry of Justice

SWITZERLAND / SUISSE

M. Ernst GNÄGI (Chef de délégation)

Chef de la section droit pénal international, Office fédéral de la Justice

"THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA" / "L'EX-RÉPUBLIQUE YOUGOSLAVE DE MACÉDOINE"

Mme Snezana MOJSOVA (Chef de délégation)

Chef de Division de l'Intégration Européenne et de la Coopération Internationale, Ministère de la Justice

Ms Biljana NIKOLOVSKA ZAGAR

Agence des agents publics

TURKEY / TURQUIE

M. Ergin ERGÜL (Chef de délégation)

Magistrat, Directeur Général Adjoint, Direction Générale du Droit International et des Relations Extérieures, Ministère de la Justice

Mr Adnan KARADENİZ

Chief Superintendent, Deputy Head of Foreign Relations Department, Turkish National Police

Mr Mustafa BALTACI

Deputy Director, Prime Minister's Office, Inspection Board

UKRAINE

Mr Ruslan RIABOSHAPKA (Head of delegation)

Head of the Department of Legal Issues, Law Enforcement Activity and Fight against Crime Ministry of Justice

Mr Mykhaylo BUROMENSKIY

President of the Institute of Humanitarian Research

Mr Olexander PRYKHODKO

Deputy Unit Supervisor, Office of the Prosecutor General

Ms Olena SMIRNOVA

Anti-Corruption Legislation Development Unit Supervisor,

Department of Legal Issues, Law Enforcement Activity and Fight against Crime, Ministry of Justice

UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI

Mr Tom BARNES

Criminal Law Policy Unit, Home Office, Sentencing and Offences Unit

Ms Pauline PROSSER, Dept. of Constitutional Affairs

Ms Anna MYERS

Deputy Director, Public Concern at Work

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE

Mr Richard M. ROGERS (Head of delegation)

Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice

GRECO EVALUATION TEAMS / EQUIPES D'EVALUATION DU GRECO

Joint First and Second Round Evaluation of Ukraine / Evaluation des Premier et Deuxième Cycles conjoints de l'Ukraine

Ms Alexandra KAPIŠOVSKÁ **(Slovakia / Slovaquie)** Adviser of the Department of International Affairs, Ministry of Justice

Mr Wolfgang SCHMID (**Germany / Allemagne**) Senior Prosecutor, Prosecution Office Stuttgart

Mr Algimantas ČEPAS (Lithuania / Lituanie) – Apologised / Excusé Director, Law Institute of Lithuania

Ms Anna MYERS (United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni)
Deputy Director, Public Concern at Work

RAPPORTEURS

Second Round Compliance Reports / Rapports de Conformité du Deuxième Cycle

RC-II BELGIUM / BELGIQUE

M. Ivan ALIS SALGUERO (Andorra / Andorre)

Mme Cornelia VICLEANSCHI (Moldova)

RC-II DENMARK / DANEMARK

Mr Dag NENNINGSLAND (Norway / Norvège)

Mr Rafael VAILLO RAMOS (Spain / Espagne)

RC-II FRANCE

Mme Claire HUBERTS (Belgium / Belgique)

Ms Laura-Oana STEFAN (Romania / Roumanie)

PRESIDENT OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE OF GRECO / PRÉSIDENT DU COMITÉ STATUTAIRE DU GRECO

Mme Anna LAMPEROVA - Apologised / Excusée

Ambassadeur Extraordinaire et Plénipotentiaire, Représentation Permanente de la Slovaquie auprès du Conseil de l'Europe

PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE / ASSEMBLEE PARLEMENTAIRE DU CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

M. Jaume BARTUMEU CASSANY Membre du Conseil Général

Mme Isild HEURTIN, Secrétaire Adjointe de la Commission

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CDCJ / REPRÉSENTANT DU CDCJ

Apologised / Excusé

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CDPC / REPRÉSENTANT DU CDPC

Mr Damir VEJO

Head of the Department for Organised Crime and Corruption, Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina

OBSERVER UNITED NATIONS - UNODC / OBSERVATEUR NATIONS UNIES - ONUDC

Apologised / Excusé

OBSERVER OECD / OBSERVATEUR OCDE

Ms Olga SAVRAN

Anti-Corruption Network for Transition Economies within Anti-Corruption Division

COUNCIL OF EUROPE SECRETARIAT / SECRETARIAT DU CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

Mr Wolfgang RAU, Executive Secretary of GRECO, Directorate General I - Legal Affairs

Mr Björn JANSON, Administrative Officer, Directorate General I - Legal Affairs

Mr Christophe SPECKBACHER, Administrative Officer, Directorate General I - Legal Affairs

Ms Laura SANZ-LEVIA, Administrative Officer, Directorate General I - Legal Affairs

Ms Tania VAN DIJK, Administrative Officer, Directorate General I – Legal Affairs

Ms Elspeth REILLY, Assistant, Directorate General I - Legal Affairs

Ms Penelope PREBENSEN, Administrative Assistant (Evaluation rounds), Directorate General I – Legal Affairs

Mme Laure HEIM, Assistante (Evaluation rounds), Directorate General I – Legal Affairs

Mme Marie-Rose PREVOST, Assistante (Evaluation rounds), Directorate General I – Legal Affairs,

Ms Simona GHITA, Webmaster, Direction Générale I - Affaires Juridiques, Conseil de l'Europe,

INTERPRETERS / INTERPRETES

Mme Sally BAILEY Mme Chloé CHENETIER Mme Julia TANNER

APPENDIX II

AGENDA / ORDRE DU JOUR

- 1. Opening of the meeting at **09h30** / Ouverture de la réunion à **09h30**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda / Adoption de l'ordre du jour
- 3. Information from the President and the Executive Secretary (including on Bureau 38) / Information du Président et du Secrétaire Exécutif (y compris sur Bureau 38)
- 4. First reading / Première lecture :

draft Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on / projet de Rapport d'Evaluation des Premier et Deuxième Cycles conjoints sur :

- **Ukraine**: Monday / *lundi*

Evaluators and the national delegation concerned are requested to be available during the following periods: /

Les évaluateurs et délégations nationales concernés sont invités à être disponibles pendant les périodes suivantes :

- **Ukraine**: Monday all day and Tuesday morning / Lundi toute la journée et mardi matin
- 5. Examination and adoption of the Addenda to the First Round Compliance Reports on Albania, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Lithuania, the Netherlands and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" / Examen et adoption des Addenda aux Rapports de Conformité du Premier Cycle sur l'Albanie, la République Tchèque, la Hongrie, la Lituanie, les Pays-Bas et « l'ex-République yougoslave de Macédoine »
- 6. Examination and adoption of the Second Round Compliance Reports on **Belgium**, **Denmark** and **France** / Examen et adoption des Rapports de Conformité du Deuxième Cycle sur la **Belgique**, le **Danemark** et la **France**
- 7. Draft Seventh General Activity Report (2006) (approved by Bureau 38 for adoption) / Projet du Septième rapport général d'activités (2006) (approuvé par le Bureau 38 pour adoption)
- 8. **Second reading** and adoption of the draft joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on **Ukraine (Wednesday)** / **Deuxième lecture** et adoption du projet de Rapport d'Evaluation des Premier et Deuxième Cycles conjoints sur l'**Ukraine** (mercredi)
- 9. Third Evaluation Round **Start-up Training Workshop** on party financing (Thursday 09h30 Friday 13h00, Room 9) / *Troisième Cycle d'Evaluation Atelier de lancement (formation) sur le financement des partis politiques (jeudi 09h30 vendredi 13h00, Salle 9)*
- 10. Miscellaneous / Divers
- 11. Adoption of decisions / Adoption des décisions
- 12. Dates of next meetings / Dates des prochaines réunions

APPENDIX III

THIRD EVALUATION ROUND - START-UP TRAINING WORKSHOP ON POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING Programme

Thursday 22 March	
Introductory session	
9.30 - 9.45	Welcome address and general introduction by the President
9.45 - 10.15	Modus operandi of GRECO evaluations: organisation, role of evaluators, questionnaire for the third round and other working materials, presentation of the seminar; presentation of a typical evaluation, logistical issues etc.
	Presentation by an experienced 2 nd round evaluator, Mr Pierre-Christian Soccoja (Head of the Central Service for the Prevention of Corruption – France), and by the Secretariat.
10.15 - 11.15	The views of civil society and the academic sector: Links between corruption and political financing; importance of the phenomenon; nature and types of problems; vulnerabilities and risks; states' responses.
	Mme Angela Keller-Herzog, Transparency International Secretariat, manager of global programmes Mr. Ulrich Von Alemann, Professor, Institute for party law, University of Düsseldorf
11.15 until lunch break	Comments and questions from participants, general discussion
Session 1	Transparency - Questionnaire items 12-17
14.15 – 16.15	- The requirements upon political parties and related entities to keep appropriate accounts (Art. 11) - Account records concerning contributions and contributors (Articles 12a and b) - Public access to accounts (Article 13b)
	Mr Yves-Marie Doublet, Department of Legal Affairs of the French National Assembly Mr Arthur De Groot (Deloitte & Touche Netherlands)
	Mr Marcin Walecki, Senior Advisor for Political Finance, IFES and European University Institute
	Followed by Comments and questions from participants, general discussion
break	
Session 2 16.30 - 18.30	Supervision - Questionnaire items 18-23 - General monitoring of the financing of political parties, related entities, electoral campaigns, elected representatives, election candidates and issue based or third party contributions; main features of national and sub-national levels (Art. 14a) - Supervision of accounts and expenses of political parties and expenses involved in electoral campaigns; main features of national and sub-national levels (Art. 14b)
	Mrs Patricia Peña (Former Director of Regulatory Services of the UK Electoral Commission) Mr Ulrich Von Alemann Mr Alvis Vilks (Deputy Director, Corruption Prevention and Combating Bureau of Latvia)
	Followed by Comments and questions from participants, general discussion
	Friday 23 March
Session 3	Sanctions - Questionnaire items 24-29
9.30 – 11.30	- Sanctions/measures for infringements of domestic rules relating to financing of parties/electoral campaigns
	Mr Alvis Vilks Mr Yves-Marie Doublet Mr Marcin Walecki
	Followed by Comments and questions from participants, general discussion
break	
12.00 - 13.00	Conclusions Mrs Patricia Peña