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Greco (2012) 19E

57th GRECO Plenary Meeting
(Strasbourg, 15 – 19 October 2012)

DECISIONS

At its 57th Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 15 - 19 October 2012), the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO):

1. adopted the agenda as it appears in the Summary Report of the Meeting (Greco (2012) 20E);

Information

2. took note of the information provided by the President, delegations and the Executive Secretary (cf. the Summary Report of the meeting);
3. took note of the staffing situation within its Secretariat and of its consequences on GRECO's work programme in 2012 and 2013;

Fourth Evaluation Round

4. adopted technical adjustments to the structure of the Fourth Evaluation Round Questionnaire as reproduced in document Greco (2012) 22E;
5. adopted the Fourth Round Evaluation Reports on:
 - Poland (Greco Eval IV Rep (2012) 4E)
 - Slovenia (Greco Eval IV Rep (2012) 1E)
 - United Kingdom (Greco Eval IV Rep (2012) 2E);
6. invited the authorities of Poland, Slovenia and the United Kingdom to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports mentioned in decision 5 above;
7. approved the composition of the team in charge of the Fourth round evaluation of Sweden (Greco Eval IV (2011) 1bil. of 12 October 2012);

Third Evaluation Round

8. adopted the Third Round Compliance Reports on:
 - Azerbaijan (Greco RC-III (2012) 12E)
 - Bulgaria (Greco RC-III (2012) 14E)
 - Serbia (Greco RC-III (2012) 16E);
9. fixed the deadline for providing additional information on the implementation of recommendations at 30 April 2014 in all three cases;
10. invited the authorities of Azerbaijan, Bulgaria and Serbia to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports mentioned in decision 8 above;
11. adopted the Second Third Round Compliance Report on:
 - Latvia (Greco RC-III (2012) 13E);
12. in accordance with Rule 31, paragraph 9 of the Rules of Procedure, requested the Head of delegation of Latvia to submit additional information regarding the implementation of recommendations by 31 July 2013 at the latest;
13. noted with satisfaction that the authorities of Latvia authorise the publication of the report mentioned in decision 11 above;

14. adopted the Third Round *Interim* Compliance Report on:
 - Germany (Greco RC-III (2012) 15E – Interim report);
15. concluded that the response to the recommendations remained “globally unsatisfactory” in the meaning of Rule 31, paragraph 8.3 of the Rules of Procedure;
16. decided to apply Rule 32 of the Rules of Procedure and, pursuant to paragraph 8.2 of Rule 31, requested the Head of Delegation of Germany to provide a report on action taken to implement the pending recommendations by 31 July 2013;
17. invited the authorities of Germany to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the report mentioned in decision 14 above;
18. approved the list of rapporteur countries for Third round compliance procedures regarding Cyprus, the Czech Republic and the Republic of Moldova (Greco Eval III (2012) 3 – Eng. only);

Publication of adopted reports

19. invited the members concerned, when publishing adopted evaluation and compliance reports, to agree a same-day publication date with the Secretariat, to clearly mark both the date of adoption and date of publication on the cover page, to make the national language version available and easily accessible on a domestic website and to notify the Secretariat of its location by communicating the internet link to the report;
20. invited the authorities of Liechtenstein to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the Joint First and Second Round Evaluation Report on Liechtenstein (adopted in October 2011);

Budget 2013

21. noted that GRECO’s Statutory Committee would hold its 17th (budget) meeting on 24 October 2012;

Gender equality policy of the Council of Europe

22. noted the positive response received by a significant number of members regarding the potential added value of introducing a gender perspective into GRECO’s work;
23. in this connection, welcomed the data collection proposal to be used during the Fourth Evaluation Round as contained in document Greco (2012) 18E;

Exchange of views

24. held an exchange of views with the Chairman of the Central Authority for Corruption Prevention (ICPC) of Morocco;

Rules of Procedure

25. adopted amendments to Rule 32 of its Rules of Procedure as contained in document Greco (2012) 16E Revised;

Cooperation with the European Union

26. took note of recent developments;

Calendar of forthcoming meetings

27. noted that the Bureau would hold its 62nd Meeting in Strasbourg on 7 November 2012;
28. noted that the 58th Plenary Meeting would be held in Strasbourg on 3 – 7 December 2012.