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OPINION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS (CDPC) ON PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION 2041 (2014) – "IMPROVING USER PROTECTION AND SECURITY IN CYBERSPACE"

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The CDPC is of the opinion that, given its mandate in respect of international cooperation in criminal matters, its subordinated Committee of Experts on the Operation of European Conventions in Penal Field (PC-OC) should be represented in future meetings of the T-CY on the effectiveness of the international co-operation provisions of the Convention on Cybercrime and be given the opportunity to be involved in future discussions on a possible additional Protocol to the Cybercrime convention. During its discussion on the model request form on MLA, the PC-OC already touched upon the issue of the international co-operation as regards requests for electronic evidence. As a result, the model form shall contain elements for MLA requests in this regard. The work of the PC-OC on the model form should be finalised by May 2015. As regards the possible update of the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters to address the issue of electronic evidence, the PC-OC was of the opinion that, depending on the outcome of the work of the T-CY, a need for developing the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 30) by either practical or normative measures could be further considered.