

## **Information Documents**

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### **Dialogue with the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General at the 1413th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies (7 October 2021)**

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#### **DIALOGUE WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL**

##### **1. Meetings and Events in Strasbourg**

Mr Matteo Mecacci, Director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), 8 September

Ms Valentyna Danishevskaya, President of the Supreme Court of Ukraine, 9 September

Mr Bojan Marichikj, Minister of Justice of North Macedonia, 9 September

Ms Iryna Venediktova, Prosecutor General of Ukraine, 10 September

Ms Małgorzata Manowska, First President of the Supreme Court of Poland, 10 September

Ms Dineke de Groot, President of the Supreme Court of the Netherlands, 10 September

Commemoration ceremony on the occasion of the 77th anniversary of the evacuation of the Natzweiler-Struthof Concentration Camp (September 1944), 12 September

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<sup>1</sup> This document has been classified restricted at the date of issue; it will be declassified in accordance with Resolution Res(2001)6 on access to Council of Europe documents.

Mr Robert Gelli, Secretary of State for Justice, Director of Judicial Services of Monaco, 13 September

Dr Anže Logar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, 16 September

Conference on an “Integrated approach to protection against violence against women and domestic violence”, by video message, 22 September

**Fourth part of the 2021 Ordinary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly, 27 – 30 September**

- Mr János Áder, President of Hungary
- Mr Péter Szijjártó, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary and Chair of the Committee of Ministers
- Mr Nikola Dimitrov, Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs of North Macedonia
- Ms Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety
- Mr Noel Curran, Director General of the European Broadcasting Union (EBU)
- Mr Nils Muižnieks, Director for Europe at Amnesty International
- Mr Jacques Maire, Chairperson of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe Group (ALDE)
- Parliamentarians from the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) of Turkey
- Václav Havel Human Rights Prize Award Ceremony
- High-level event on Environment and Human Rights: Right to safe, healthy, and sustainable environment
- “Breast-cancer care in pandemic times”: Lighting of the Palais de l'Europe
- Visit of “Little Amal”

Conference of international NGOs (CINGO), 6 October

Mr Benedetto Della Vedova, Minister of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation of Italy, 6 October

International Conference on Women's Access to Justice: Moving closer to full ratification and implementation of the Istanbul Convention, 7 October

**2. Events outside Strasbourg**

**High-level Segment of the 76th session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA 76), New York (United States of America), 20 – 23 September**

- Special tribute to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks
- Mr Nicu Popescu, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Moldova
- Mr Ararat Mirzoyan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia
- Mr Jeyhun Bayramov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan
- Mr Pekka Haavisto, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- Mr Zbigniew Rau, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland
- Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey
- Mr Abdulla Shahid, President of the 76th Session of the United Nations General Assembly

**Conference of Ministers of Justice of Council of Europe member states, Budapest and Gödöllő (Hungary), 4 – 5 October**

- Ms Judit Varga, Minister of Justice of Hungary
- Mr Sándor Pintér, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior of Hungary
- Mr Sander Dekker, Minister for Legal Protection of the Netherlands
- Mr Zsolt Németh, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Hungarian National Assembly, Head of the Hungarian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly to the Council of Europe
- Mr Péter Sztáray, State Secretary for Security Policy of Hungary
- Visit to the European Youth Centre

**3. Staff matters (in camera)**

**DIALOGUE WITH THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL**

**1. Meetings and Events**

Exchange of views Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) and Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) on the occasion of the 88th GRECO plenary meeting, 22 September

Launch of the joint European Union/Council of Europe project "Supporting the Effective Implementation of Turkish Constitutional Court Judgments in the field of Fundamental Rights", 23 September

Bureau of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, 24 September

Meeting with the Oversight Advisory Committee, 5 October

Conference "Rights, opportunities and well-being of children and young people in the digital age", 7 October

**Fourth part of the 2021 Ordinary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly, 27 – 30 September**

- Lord George Foulkes of Cumnock, Rapporteur of the Parliamentary Assembly to the Council of Europe on Football Governance: business and values
- Václav Havel Human Rights Prize Award Ceremony
- Mr Askar Shakirov, Vice President of the Senate of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- Parliamentarians from the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) of Turkey

**2. Signatures and Ratifications**

**Maldives** ratified the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 20 September.

**Hungary signed** the Council of Europe Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property (CETS No. 221), 5 October.

**Germany ratified** the Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (CETS No. 223), 5 October.

### 3. Voluntary contributions

I would like to thank our donors for their support to our work and mention the recent voluntary contributions which I have had the pleasure to sign<sup>2</sup>.

#### **Norway**

The Government of Norway has made a voluntary contribution of NOK 6,500,000 (approximately €643,668) to reduce the European Court of Human Rights' backlog of well-founded cases.

#### **European Union**

The European Union has made a voluntary contribution of €4,950,000 to the Joint Programme "Supporting the Effective Implementation of Turkish Constitutional Court Judgments in the field of Fundamental Rights". Co-funding from the Council of Europe Ordinary Budget to this Joint Programme amounts to €550,000.

The European Union has also contributed €500,000 to the Joint Programme "Co-operation on the implementation of the Russian Federation National Action Strategy for Women (2017-2022): Applying best practices". Co-funding from the Council of Europe Ordinary Budget to this Joint Programme amounts to €56,000.

#### **United States of America**

The Government of the United States of America has made a voluntary contribution of USD 1,505,999.60 (approximately €1,288,810) to support the Council of Europe action against cybercrime.

#### **Australia**

Australia (City of Salisbury) has pledged an annual voluntary contribution of €5,000 to the Intercultural Cities Programme.

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<sup>2</sup> Agreements signed from 18 September – 1 October 2021. Subsequent signatures will be communicated in the next monthly update.