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Dialogue with the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General at the 1441st meeting of the Ministers' Deputies (7 September 2022)

DIALOGUE WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL

1. Meetings and Events in Strasbourg

Mr Richard Stock, President, European Network for Education and Training (EUNET),
6 September

2. Meetings and Events outside Strasbourg

Second Summit of Heads of State and Government of the International Crimea Platform,
(online), 23 August

DIALOGUE WITH THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL

1. Meetings and Events outside Strasbourg

10th Commonwealth Sports Ministers meeting, “*Creating an inclusive and resilient sport sector; enhancing the contribution of Sport to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*”, 27 July (online)

¹ 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.

Conference *Lighting the Shade: Effective Application of the European Convention on Human Rights in Areas of Conflict in Europe*, Galway (Ireland), 1 September

- Ms Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender of Georgia
- Ms Maeve Collins, Director General for European Affairs at the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs
- Mr Nils Muižnieks, European Director of Amnesty International

European Days 2022 of the Jewish Culture - Ceremony of the return of the Torah to the Synagogue of Schirmeck, Schirmeck (France), 4 September

2. Signatures and Ratifications

Austria ratified the Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (CETS No. 223), 13 July

Ukraine ratified the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210), 18 July

The United Kingdom ratified the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210), 21 July

Albania ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Access to Official Documents (CETS No. 205), and the Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (CETS No. 223), 22 July

Austria ratified the Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events (CETS No. 218), and the Council of Europe Convention on Cinematographic Co-Production (revised) (CETS No. 220), 3 August

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

Jordan ratified the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 11 August

Maldives signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 11 August

Papua New Guinea signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 11 August

Rwanda signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 11 August

Liberia ratified the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by the 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127), 26 August

Estonia ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism (CETS No. 198), 1 September

Greece ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Cinematographic Co-Production (revised) (CETS No. 220), 6 September

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 sign²:

Cyprus

The Government of Cyprus has made a voluntary contribution of €547.08 to support the project “Addressing Competition Manipulation Together”.

Czech Republic

The Government of the Czech Republic has made a voluntary contribution of CZK 1 400 000 (approximately €57 000) to support the Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine 2018-2022 and its successor Action Plan, the Council of Europe Action Plan for Georgia 2020-2023, the Council of Europe Action Plan on Protecting Vulnerable Persons in the Context of Migration and Asylum in Europe 2021-2025, as well as the activities of the Venice Commission.

France

Le Gouvernement de la France a accordé une contribution volontaire de 24 618.75 € pour soutenir le projet « Agir ensemble Contre la manipulation des compétitions ».

La France a également contribué 20 000 € pour soutenir la Campagne de la jeunesse pour la démocratie.

Germany

The Government of Germany has made a voluntary contribution of €25 536 to enhance the Bern Convention’s contribution to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals on environment, biodiversity protection and climate change (SDGs 13 and 15).

Italy

The Government of Italy has made a voluntary contribution of €45 000 to support the Venice Commission’s action to promote the development of democratic institutions based on respect for the rule of law and human rights.

Ireland

The Government of Ireland has made a voluntary contribution of €1 795.52 to support the Impact of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Luxembourg

Le Gouvernement du Luxembourg a accordé une contribution volontaire de 17 375.83 € pour protéger les enfants contre les violations des droits humains de toutes formes et dans tous les contextes.

Norway

The Government of Norway has made a voluntary contribution of €555 095.82 to support the Council of Europe’s Action Plan for Bosnia and Herzegovina 2022-2025.

² Agreements signed from 9 July – 6 September 2022. Subsequent signatures will be communicated in the next monthly update.

Norway has also contributed NOK 1 500 000 (approximately €143 400) to support the European Qualifications Passport for Refugees (EQPR) and €52 000 to enhance the Bern Convention's contribution to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals on environment, biodiversity protection and climate change (SDGs 13 and 15).

Switzerland

The Government of Switzerland has made a voluntary contribution of €11 310.34 to support the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance.

Switzerland has also contributed €5 000 to support the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance and parliamentary action for social rights, for public health and sustainable development, and for the rights of the child.

European Union

The European Union has made a voluntary contribution of €5 000 000 to the Joint Programme "Regional support to reinforce Human Rights, Rule of Law and Democracy in the Southern Mediterranean" (South Programme V). Co-funding from the Council of Europe Ordinary Budget to this Joint Programme amounts to €556 000.

The European Union has also contributed €1 500 000 to the Joint Programme "ROMACT 9 – Building Capacity for Roma Inclusion at Local Level". Co-funding from the Council of Europe Ordinary Budget to this Joint Programme amounts to €170 000.

Human Rights Trust Fund (HRTF)³

The Human Rights Trust Fund has made a voluntary contribution of €500 000 to support HELP in the Western Balkans, €400 000 to the European Court of Human Rights knowledge-sharing and Superior Courts dialogue, €400 000 to the improvement of the execution of the Court's judgments by Azerbaijan and €200 000 to reduce the backlog of outstanding unexecuted leading judgments of the Court.

Japan

The Government of Japan has made a voluntary contribution of €27 665 to support the Council of Europe activities in the field of artificial intelligence and the Intercultural Cities Programme.

United States of America

The Government of the United States of America has made a voluntary contribution of USD 400 000 (approximately €353 982) to support phase II of the action against corruption project in the Republic of Moldova.

The United States of America has also contributed USD 250 000 (approximately €251 173) to support the Council of Europe's action against cybercrime.

Française des Jeux

La Française des Jeux a accordé une contribution volontaire de 16 412.50 € pour soutenir le projet « Agir ensemble Contre la manipulation des compétitions ».

³ Eight member states contribute to the HRTF (Finland, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom)