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**STEERING COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
(CDDH)**

REPORT

77th meeting

Strasbourg, 19-22 March 2013

Summary

At this meeting, the CDDH, in particular:

- (1) adopted comments on Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2010(2013) – “Migration and asylum: mounting tensions in Eastern Mediterranean” (see Appendix III);
- (2) concerning the Reform of the Court:
 - (i) approved draft Protocol No 16 to the Convention (document CDDH(2013)R77 add.I) and adopted the explanatory Report thereto, (CDDH(2013)R77 add. II) with a view to their transmission to the Committee of Ministers;
 - (ii) adopted its report on Interim Measures under Rule 39 of the Rules of the Court (CDDH(2013)R77 add. III) with a view to its transmission to the Committee of Ministers;
 - (iii) adopted its report on the advisability and modalities of a “representative application procedure” (CDDH(2013)R77 add. IV) with a view to its transmission to the Committee of Ministers;
- (3) gave guidance to the Committee of the Experts on the reform of the Court (DH-GDR) and its drafting groups GT-GDR-D and GT-GDR-E on the organisation of their future work;
- (4) took note of the current work on the accession of the European Union to the ECHR;
- (5) gave guidance for current and future work on the development and promotion of human rights and, in this context:
 - (i) took note of the work of its drafting group on the human rights of older persons (CDDH-AGE);
 - (ii) discussed how to carry out work on corporate social responsibility in the field of human rights further to the decisions taken by the Ministers’ Deputies at their 1160th meeting on 30 January 2013;
 - (iii) took note of the state of preparation of a draft study on the feasibility and added value of standard-setting work on human rights in culturally diverse societies;
 - (iv) examined and adopted its report on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4 of the Committee of Ministers on

human rights of members of armed forces with a view to its transmission to the Committee of Ministers;

- (v) examined and adopted its report on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 of the Committee of Ministers on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity with a view to its transmission to the Committee of Ministers;
 - (vi) gave guidance to the Secretariat on the future work on development of human rights and in particular on the elaboration of a list of additional priorities for the next biennium;
- (6) took note of the current work within the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO);
- (7) took note of the current work within the Gender Equality Commission (GEC);
- (8) exchanged views with the Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr Nils MUIŽNIEKS and decided to invite the President of the Court, Mr Dean SPIELMANN, to an exchange of views at its June 2013 meeting;
- (9) received information from the Secretariat relevant to its discussion at the next meeting of the CDDH priorities for the next biennium, and examined its working methods;
- (10) adopted the calendar of its meetings and of those of its subordinate bodies (see Appendix III).

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Appendices

- I. List of participants
- II. Agenda (as adopted)
- III. Recommendation of the Parliamentary Assembly 2010(2013) – “Migration and asylum: mounting tensions in Eastern Mediterranean”
- IV. Declarations made by two Delegations under item 5.5 - Follow-up to Committee of Ministers’ Recommendation (CM/Rec(2010)5) on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity
- V. Calendar of meetings of the CDDH and subordinate bodies

Addenda

- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum I: draft Protocol No. 16 to the Convention
- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum II: explanatory report to Protocol No 16 to the Convention
- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum III: report on interim measures under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court
- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum IV: report on the advisability and modalities of a representative application procedure
- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum V: report on the implementation of the Committee of Ministers' Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4 on the human rights of members of armed forces
- CDDH(2013)R77 Addendum VI: report on the implementation of the Committee of Ministers' Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity

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Introduction

1. The Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) held its 77th meeting from 19 to 22 March 2013 in Strasbourg with Mr Derek WALTON OBE (United Kingdom) in the Chair. The list of participants appears at [Appendix I](#).¹ The agenda, as adopted, appears at [Appendix II](#). The CDDH took note of the general background information document prepared by the Secretariat (CDDH(2013)001) and of the report of the last meeting of its Bureau (CDDH-BU(2013)R87).

ITEM 1: OPENING OF THE MEETING, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Draft agenda	CDDH(2013)OJ001
Draft order of business	CDDH(2013)OT001
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76

2. The CDDH adopted the agenda and order of business and noted that the Bureau authorised the participation of representatives of some NGOs under some items of the agenda.²

ITEM 2: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)01
Recommendation 2010(2013) - « Migration and asylum : mounting tensions in the Eastern Mediterranean »	CDDH(2013)006

2. As regards Assembly Recommendation 2010(2013) – “Migration and asylum: mounting tensions in the eastern Mediterranean”, the CDDH exchanged views on the comments presented by the Bureau (CDDH-BU(2013)R87, Appendix III) and prepared in the light in particular of comments received from the Swedish delegation and from CEC/ KEK (see document CDDH(2013)006). The CDDH decided to adopt very brief comments. They appear at [Appendix III](#) of this report.

ITEM 3: REFORM OF THE COURT (DH-GDR)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76
Report of the 3 rd meeting of the Committee of experts on the reform of the Court	

¹ Following Declaration CM(2009)68 - “Making gender equality a reality” and practical proposals elaborated by the Bureau of the Steering Committee on the media and new communication services (CDMC, document CDMC-BU(2010)001), the list of participants includes gender distribution figures for participants.

² *European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC/ CES)*: items 3, 4, 5; *Conference of European Churches (CEC/ KEK)*: items 3 and 5; *International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA) and Transgender Europe (TGEU)*: item 5.5.

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4. The CDDH noted that, at their 1159th meeting (16 January 2013, document CM/Del/Dec(2013)1159, item 4.3abcd), the Ministers' Deputies decided to transmit to the Parliamentary Assembly the text of draft Protocol No. 15 to the Convention, as adopted by the CDDH, for opinion, and the draft explanatory report thereto, for information (documents CM(2012)166 and CM(2012)166 add). The Secretariat noted that the adoption of the draft Protocol is foreseen at the Ministerial Session on 16 May 2013 and its opening for signature and ratification in June 2013. The CDDH took note of the other decisions taken by the Deputies at the same meeting concerning work on the reform of the Court (see reference document CDDH(2013)001, §§ 6-7). The CDDH will in particular take these into account for the preparation, in June 2013, of its work on the next biennium.

3.1 Completed work

Draft Protocol No. 16	CDDH(2012)R76 Addendum V
Draft Explanatory Report to Protocol No. 16	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum I
Draft CDDH report on interim measures under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum II
Draft CDDH report on the advisability and modalities of a "representative application procedure"	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum III
Draft Protocol No. 16 - Comments received	CDDH(2013)010
Comments received from the European Group of National Human Rights Institutions on (i) the draft CDDH report on Interim Measures and (ii) the representative application procedure	CDDH(2013)11

5. The Chairman of the Committee of Experts on the Reform of the Court (DH-GDR), Mr Vit SCHORM (Czech Republic) presented the work completed by the Committee at its 3rd meeting (13-15 February 2013), which prepared three draft reports that the CDDH was invited to examine and adopt at this meeting for transmission to the Committee of Ministers before 15 April 2013³: (i) draft Explanatory Report to Protocol No. 16, (ii) draft CDDH report on interim measures under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court and (iii) draft CDDH report on the advisability and modalities of a "representative application procedure".

6. In examining these texts, the CDDH took into account the drafting proposals received from participants before 15 March 2013 and, regarding the draft explanatory report to Protocol No. 16, comments made by the Council of Europe Directorate of Legal Advice and Public International Law on the draft Protocol. The CDDH proceeded to the adoption of the texts paragraph by paragraph.

³ Deadline set in the May 2012 Ministerial Session.

7. At the end of its examination, the CDDH formally approved the draft Protocol⁴ (document CDDH(2013)R77 Add. I) and adopted the explanatory report thereto (document CDDH(2013)R77 Add. II) as well as the two other reports appearing at § 5 above (documents CDDH(2013)R77 Add. III and IV). In deciding to transmit them to the Committee of Ministers, the CDDH considered that it had fulfilled the terms of reference given by the Delegates (see document CDDH(2012)009Rev).

3.2 Organisation of the future work

Report of the 3 rd meeting of the Committee of experts on the reform of the Court (13-15 February 2013)	DH-GDR(2013)R3
Recent decisions of the Ministers' Deputies on measures to improve the execution of the judgments and decisions of the Court	CDDH(2013)002
Follow-up to the Brighton Conference, 18-20 April 2012	CDDH(2012)009Rev
CDDH report on measures taken by the member States to implement relevant parts of the Interlaken and Izmir Declarations	CDDH(2013)R76 Addendum I

8. The CDDH exchanged views on the organisation of the work of the drafting groups established by the DH-GDR (see reference document CDDH(2013)001 § 10). It decided on meeting dates in 2012 and 2013 (see Appendix VI).

Drafting group D

(see reference document CDDH(2013)001, § 10 (i))

9. The CDDH noted that drafting group “D” on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-D) will meet from 10-12 April 2013 and from 22-24 May 2013. At these two meetings, it will prepare the following work: (a) a guide to good practice in respect of domestic remedies;⁵ (b) a toolkit to inform public officials about the State’s obligations under the Convention;⁶ and (c) conclusions and possible proposals for action on ways to resolve the large numbers of applications arising from systemic issues identified by the Court⁷.

10. As regards the work on systemic problems, the CDDH noted that one of the reasons why this issue had been included in the Brighton Declaration was the intention of the Court to introduce a “default judgment procedure”. The Court had announced in June 2012 that its Committee on Working Methods would address the issue. Not having had any news on the matter since then, the CDDH had asked its Chairperson to write to the President of the Court (copy to the Registrar), asking for information on the progress made and the Court’s current intentions, in order that the CDDH would have this

⁴ It is recalled that the CDDH approved it temporarily at its previous meeting (November 2012) and decided that the final approval will be taken in March 2013, together with the adoption of its explanatory report.

⁵ See the Brighton Declaration, para. 9.f)ii)

⁶ Ibid, para. 9.f)iii) It is recalled that, at its 2nd meeting, the DH-GDR designated Mr Martin EATON (United Kingdom) as expert-consultant to prepare the draft toolkit to inform public officials about the State’s obligations under the Convention and gave guidance to him for completion of the task (see DH-GDR(2012)R2, § 16-17).

⁷ Ibid, para. 20.d)

information available in good time for the 1st meeting of GT-GDR-D (10-12 April 2013)⁸.

Drafting group E

(see reference document CDDH(2013)001, § 10 (ii))

11. In respect of the work to be undertaken in the GT-GDR-E on ‘conclusions and possible proposals for action following a review of the functioning of the Advisory Panel of experts on candidates for election as judge to the European Court of Human Rights’, the Committee concurred with the conclusions of the DH-GDR (doc. DH-GDR(2013)R3, para. 17) and further decided that:

- (i) The scope of the review should cover not only the internal working methods and procedures of the Panel but also its interaction with the States Parties to the Convention and the Parliamentary Assembly respectively, without extending to the internal procedures of these latter two;
- (ii) In order to achieve this, information would be needed not only from the Advisory Panel but also from States Parties and the Parliamentary Assembly;
- (iii) Should it prove necessary for the effective conduct of its work, the GT-GDR-E was authorised to hold limited closed sessions in order to obtain and review information of a sensitive or confidential nature, with participation limited to national experts and representatives of the Advisory Panel, the Parliamentary Assembly and the Court; such sessions should be limited to what is strictly necessary. The report of the GT-GDR-E should however be fully open and not contain any confidential information. Observers and other participants would be able to take part as usual in other aspects of the work;
- (iv) Although appointment of a Rapporteur would not necessarily be an appropriate way of dealing with sensitive or confidential information in this case, one could be appointed for other purposes;
- (v) All member States were invited to provide their views on the issue to be considered by the GT-GDR-E, whether through participation in GT-GDR-E meetings or in writing to the Secretariat (david.milner@coe.int) by Friday 3 May 2013; this would be particularly useful from those States with direct experience of the Advisory Panel.

Implementation of the Interlaken and Izmir Declarations at national level

(see the reference document CDDH(2013)001, para. 10(iii))

12. Finally, as regards the Ministers’ Deputies decisions from 16 January 2013 on the follow-up on the measures taken by member States to implement the relevant parts of the

⁸ The reply sent by the President of the Court to the Chairman of the CDDH on 25 March 2013 has been sent by the Secretariat to the participants in the CDDH and DH-GDR, on 26 March 2013, for information.

Interlaken and Izmir Declarations (document CM(2012)167), the CDDH conferred on the DH-GDR to submit in June a choice of priorities from the lengthy list of proposals appearing at para. 153 of the document. On that basis, CDDH could prepare in June priorities for the work to be undertaken during the 2014-2015 biennium. It already expected to set up a Drafting Group during the biennium.

ITEM 4: ACCESSION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 3 rd 47+1 meeting (7-9 November 2012)	47+1(2012)R3
Report of the 4 th 47+1 meeting (21-23 January 2013)	47+1(2013)R4

13. The CDDH was informed by the Secretariat on the state of preparation of the negotiation meeting (47+1) foreseen on 3-5 April 2013.

ITEM 5: DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76

5.1 Rights of older persons (CDDH-AGE)

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the CDDH-AGE (26-26 September 2012)	CDDH-AGE(2012)R2
Draft Agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the CDDH-AGE (15-17 May 2013)	CDDH-AGE(2013)OJ001

14. The CDDH had a short exchange of views on the state of preparation of the 3rd meeting of its drafting Group on the human rights of older persons (CDDH-AGE, 15-17 May 2013) on the basis of information provided by the Secretariat.

15. The CDDH took note that, to date, 15 States had sent examples of good practices for possible inclusion in the draft instrument under preparation, and invited delegations not having yet provided their contributions to do so as soon as possible, focusing in particular on areas where not many examples had as yet been provided, such as social protection (Chapter V of the current draft, in particular on paragraphs 32 to 37 about medical care) and access to justice (Chapter X of the current draft).

16. The Secretariat informed the CDDH that the draft instrument, revised on the basis of the suggestions made by the CDDH, CDDH-AGE and CDBI delegations and including the examples of good practice would be distributed for comments in the forthcoming weeks, and that delegations will be given approximately one month for further comments. The Secretariat also provided information on ongoing regular contacts with the United Nations, in order to ensure synergies in the respective work in this area.

5.2 Corporate social responsibility in the field of human rights

Reference document

CDDH(2013)001

Document prepared by the Secretariat

CDDH(2012)012

Feasibility study

CDDH(2012)017FIN

17. The CDDH held an exchange of views on how to carry out work in the area of corporate social responsibility in the field of human rights, in the light of the decisions taken by the Ministers' Deputies at their 1160th meeting (30 January 2013, document CM/Del/dec(2013)1160, item 4.1).

18. As regards the elaboration of a declaration of the Committee of Ministers supporting the United Nations' Guiding Principles, to be submitted to the Committee of Ministers by 30 June 2014, the CDDH decided to instruct the Secretariat to prepare a short draft declaration, for examination at its 79th meeting in November 2013. It also indicated that the aim of the declaration should be to endorse and provide support to the UN guiding principles, and to raise awareness of them.

19. As regards the elaboration of a non-binding instrument (to be submitted to the Committee of Ministers by 31 December 2015), the CDDH decided that it would be necessary to set up a drafting group, and noted that for budgetary reasons this would most probably not be possible before 2014. With respect to the contents of this instrument, while not taking a final position on it, many delegations expressed interest in the inclusion of a guide to good practice, which they considered may provide added value. The CDDH also instructed the Secretariat to make proposals, at the next meeting, on ways to involve the private sector in this work. This drafting group could also, if necessary, be asked to revise the draft declaration.

20. The CDDH also stressed the need to work in close cooperation with other actors, in particular the UN, and to avoid duplication of their work. To this end, the Secretariat informed the CDDH about ongoing contacts with the UN and also with other actors (such as the EU and the Danish Institute of Human Rights), and about the possible participation of the Council of Europe, and in particular of the CDDH, at the 2nd UN forum on Business and Human Rights, to be held in Geneva on 2-4 December 2013. The CDDH decided that at least one member of the Committee (to be appointed at its June meeting) should attend the Forum.

5.3 Human rights in culturally diverse societies

Reference document

CDDH(2013)001

Document prepared by the Secretariat

CDDH(2012)018

21. The Secretariat informed the CDDH about the state of preparation of the draft feasibility study on the added value of normative or other works regarding human rights in culturally diverse societies. It was recalled that CDDH had decided to examine the study next June, with a view to its adoption, and that Mr Morten RUUD (Norway) had been appointed as Rapporteur for this activity. The CDDH took note of document CDDH(2013)009, concerning the debate in the Committee of Ministers held on 13

December 2012 on “*Freedom of religion and the situation of religious minorities*” as a relevant source of inspiration for the study.

5.4 Follow-up to Committee of Ministers’ Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4 on the human rights of members of the armed forces

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Questionnaire on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4	CDDH(2012)015
Individual replies received	
Compilation of the replies	CDDH(2012)16FIN
Synthesis of the replies	CDDH(2013)003

22. The CDDH discussed the draft report on the implementation of the recommendation, prepared on the basis of the replies by 36 member States to the questionnaire under the supervision of the Rapporteur, Ms Natalia SHAKURO (Ukraine). In the absence of the rapporteur, the Secretariat made a short general presentation of the report and of its conclusions.

23. The CDDH examined the draft report section by section and paragraph by paragraph, and agreed on a number of amendments. The CDDH then adopted the report as amended (CDDH(2013)R77, Addendum V) and decided to transmit it to the Committee of Ministers for decision on possible follow-up.

5.5 Follow-up to Committee of Ministers’ Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Questionnaire on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5	CDDH(2012)R76 Add.VIII
Compilation of the replies	CDDH(2013)004
Synthesis of the replies	CDDH(2013)007

24. The CDDH discussed the draft report on the implementation of the Recommendation, prepared on the basis of the replies by 39 member States to the questionnaire under the supervision of the Rapporteur, Ms Liselot EGMOND (The Netherlands). The Rapporteur made a short general presentation of the report and of its conclusions.

25. After a preliminary exchange of views for general comments, the CDDH examined the draft report section by section and paragraph by paragraph, and agreed on a number of amendments. It also agreed to append to the report the contributions received by Amnesty International, ILGA Europe and the European Union Agency of Fundamental Rights. The CDDH then adopted the report as amended (CDDH(2013)R77, Addendum VI) and decided to transmit it to the Committee of Ministers for decision on possible follow-up. At the moment of the adoption of the report, two delegations made statements on it. The statements appear in Appendix IV to the present report.

5.6 Future work

Reference document
Document prepared by the Secretariat

CDDH(2013)001
CDDH(2013)005

26. The CDDH held a first exchange of views on the future work on development of human rights and in particular on the elaboration of a study identifying possible other priority areas for development and promotion of human rights which may be considered by the CDDH during the biennium. The discussion basis is provided by a document elaborated by the Secretariat (CDDH(2013)005Rev). The CDDH underlined that, during the next biennium, its first task will consist in pursuing and finalising work already in progress (see items 5.2 and 5.3 above).

27. As far as the themes proposed in document CDDH(2013)005Rev are concerned, no firm conclusion was drawn as to the preferences of the CDDH. However, it discussed with particular interest the impact of the economic crisis on human rights in Europe and human rights training for legal professionals, while noting that not all delegations saw these issues as a priority for work in CDDH. On the other hand, the CDDH decided not to include in the future revised document the proposals concerning environment and climate change, or private military and security firms.

28. Moreover, the CDDH discussed with interest a proposal made by one delegation concerning the elaboration of a guide to good practice on national structures for the promotion and protection of human rights and decided to include this proposal in the revised document.

29. The CDDH also decided to include in the revised document the proposals made by one delegation on freedom of expression and rights of women (and in respect of the latter to include in particular domestic violence), bearing in mind the need to avoid duplication and to seek synergies with existing standards and activities of the Council of Europe (i.e., CDMSI, GEC, Istanbul Convention) and of other organisations (EU, UN, etc.).

30. Bearing in mind that the budgetary situation will allow only a very restricted number of additional subjects to be dealt with, the CDDH stressed that the document should indicate, for each theme, if possible, the concrete result it would pursue, previous work including PACE recommendations and ECHR documents, and ongoing work in the Council of Europe or elsewhere. The CDDH will establish an order of priority amongst the themes proposed.

31. The CDDH asked the Secretariat to revise document CDDH(2013)005Rev according to the instructions indicated above. The document should be discussed and adopted by the CDDH at the 78th meeting, with a view to its transmission to the Committee of Ministers in time for consideration in the programme of the biennium 2014-2015.

ITEM 6: BIOETHICS (DH-BIO)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the DH-BIO (4-7 December 2012)	DH-BIO/RAP 2
Draft agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the DH-BIO (28-30 May 2013)	DH-BIO(2013)OJ1

32. The CDDH exchanged views with Ms Laurence LWOFF, Secretary of the Bioethics Committee (DH-BIO), on the work undertaken during its 2nd meeting (4-6 December 2012, document DH-BIO/RAP2 and reference document CDDH(2013)001) and on the priorities that this committee identified for the next biennium. It decided to come back to these matters in June. It will ask the Secretariat to facilitate access to all CDDH participants to the DH-BIO restricted website.

33. The CDDH noted in particular that (i) the work of the drafting group on the preliminary draft of the additional Protocol relative to the protection of dignity and fundamental rights of mentally disturbed persons as regards treatment and involuntary placement, will begin in June 2013 with the participation of Mr Frank SCHÜRMAN (Switzerland) as a CDDH representative; and (ii) the Secretariat of the DH-BIO closely follows the work of CDDH-AGE.

34. Finally, the CDDH decided to invite the President of the DH-BIO, Dr Anne FORUS (Norway) to its meeting in June 2013.

ITEM 7: GENDER EQUALITY (GEC)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the GEC (14-16 November 2012)	GEC(2012)RAP 2
Draft agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the GEC (10-12 April 2013)	GEC(2013)OJ1

35. The CDDH exchanged views with Ms Liri KOPACI DI MICHELE, Secretary of the Gender Equality Commission (GEC), on the work foreseen for the next meeting (10-12 April 2013). The CDDH noted in particular (i) the preparation for the forthcoming Conference on Media and Women, which would be held in The Netherlands from 4 to 5 July 2013 and (ii) the examination of the first draft feasibility study on access of women to justice. It noted also that priority proposals for the next biennium will be transmitted in time for their examination by the CDDH in June 2013.

36. Regarding the launch of a fourth questionnaire on the implementation of Recommendation Rec(2002)5 of the Committee of Ministers on protection of women against violence, the CDDH linked this activity, which comes within the scope of the efforts made by the Council of Europe to have ratified the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, to the proposal from one delegation regarding rights of women which appear in the Secretariat document on future work concerning development of human rights (CDDH(2013)005Rev).

37. Finally, the CDDH decided to invite the President of the GEC, Ms Carlien SCHEELE (The Netherlands), to its meeting in November 2013.

ITEM 8: EXPERTS REPRESENTING THE CDDH IN OTHER BODIES

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)
Reference document

CDDH-BU(2013)R87
CDDH(2013)001

38. The CDDH took note of the speaking points for its Chairman at the meeting “Human Rights and Democracy in action – looking ahead: the impact of the Council of Europe Charter on Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education” (Strasbourg, 30 November 2012). The CDDH confirmed the experts representing it in other bodies according to the agenda of the latter and entrusted the Secretariat to regularly liaise with them on this issue:

- Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO): Mrs Brigitte KONZ (Luxembourg)
- European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) if the agenda requires it: Mr Vit SCHORM (Czech Republic)
- Committee of experts on terrorism (CODEXTER): Mrs Isik BATMAZ (Turkey)
- Consultative Committee of the Convention for the protection of individuals with regard to automatic processing of personal data (T-PD): Mrs Brigitte OHMS (Austria)
- Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law (CAHDI) if the agenda requires it: Mr Roeland BÖCKER (The Netherlands)

39. The CDDH noted that it will be represented in the work of the DH-BIO working group which will begin in June 2013 (see § 33 above).

ITEM 9: ELECTIONS

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (Paris, 7-8 March 2013)

CDDH-BU(2013)R87

40. The CDDH approved the election of Dr Anne FORUS (Norway) as DH-BIO Chairperson and took note of the election of Mr Mark BALE (United Kingdom) as DH-BIO Vice-Chair, in both cases for a one year mandate from 1st January 2013 and renewable once. These elections took place by acclamation at the 2nd DH-BIO meeting (4-6 December 2012).

ITEM 10: EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH PERSONALITIES

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)
Reference document

CDDH-BU(2013)R87
CDDH(2013)001

41. The CDDH exchanged views with the Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr Nils MUIŽNIEKS. The debate aroused great interest and feeded the examination hold thereafter by the CDDH on its priorities for the next biennium (item 13). The CDDH asked the Secretariat to take into account the results of the exchange of views in the revised document on the priorities for the next biennium it will prepare for examination by the CDDH in June 2013.

42. The CDDH will meet in June 2013, the President of the Court, Mr Dean SPIELMANN, and decided to to make contacts for a meeting with a representative of the Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA) at a future meeting.

ITEM 11: WORKING METHODS

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)
Reference document

CDDH-BU(2013)R87
CDDH(2013)001

43. The CDDH confirmed the method applied during the November 2012 meeting, namely the presentation by the Secretariat, on Friday morning, of a draft abridged report for approval by the CDDH in the meeting room, together with some narrative parts of the future “long” report that the CDDH might also wish to adopt during the plenary meeting, it being understood that the other parts of the “long” report should be sent by the Secretariat immediately after the meeting for approval by electronic means. It was decided that when closing the discussion on an item, the CDDH will indicate whether it wishes the Secretariat to receive the narrative part of the report concerning that item on Friday morning, for examination in plenary.

44. The CDDH also exchanged views on the most realistic and effective ways and means to ensure follow-up of the instruments it prepared, avoiding if possible to be satisfied with sending questionnaires. As regards in particular the follow-up of Committee of Ministers’ recommendations prepared by the CDDH, it exchanged views on the goal of the exercise and the means to arrive at it. It considered that the follow-up by the CDDH should not aim primarily at checking the extent of implementation of the texts at national level, a field within the competence of each member State, but should rather concentrate on (i) the possible difficulties encountered by the States in applying the text, (ii) verifying whether the text remained up-to-date as regards the evolution within and new challenges faced by European countries and (iii) identifying existing good practices, presented in the form of a guide.

45. In deciding to return to these issues at its June 2013 meeting, the CDDH at this stage underlined:

(i) the need to ensure that the recommendations were translated and disseminated in an appropriate manner at national level, a precondition for any follow-up exercise;

(ii) the need for alternative solutions to questionnaires. The utility of these latter is relative when limited to collecting governmental replies. The CDDH encouraged the creation, at national level, of structures for dialogue between ministries and with representatives of civil society allowing the collection of information as complete as possible, including on the difficulties encountered and the possible shortcomings of the text. When the utility of a questionnaire is clear, it is necessary to ensure that it is well adapted to the envisaged goal. The CDDH encouraged the Secretariat to structure the questionnaire in a more or less lengthy manner according to the subject, but always allowing the member States flexibility in replying, foreseeing for example boxes allowing experts who so wished to prepare a detailed reply in narrative form.

46. Finally, whilst appreciating the continuing efforts of the Secretariat to improve access to documents, the Secretariat asked experts to inform it of any difficulties encountered. It encouraged the Secretariat to ensure that the links appearing on the site

permitted effective access to documents, and that the documents be available not only in *.pdf* but also in *word* format. The CDDH wished that, at an appropriate point before the meeting, the Secretariat draw experts' attention, by email, to any important new document relevant to the meeting.

ITEM 12: CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)
Reference document

CDDH-BU(2013)R87
CDDH(2013)001

47. The CDDH adopted the 2013 calendar as it appears at Appendix IV.

ITEM 13: INFORMATION ON THE PREPARATION OF THE 2014/2015 BIENNIUM

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48. The Bureau exchanged views with the Director General of DG1, Mr Philippe BOILLAT, and informed itself on the developments and perspectives to keep in mind when considering, in June 2013, its priorities for the next biennium.

ITEM 14: OTHER BUSINESS

Report of the 87th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)
Reference document

CDDH-BU(2013)R87
CDDH(2013)001

14.1 Participation requests from NGOs representatives

49. See above, § 2.

14.2 United Nations work in the field of human rights

50. In the light notably of information provided by the Secretariat, the CDDH exchanged views on the way in which the United Nations' policy on human rights is taken into account in its own work. Noting that this is already the case for specific work, the CDDH asked the Secretariat to report to it, at each meeting, on the general developments in work in Geneva. On this basis, the CDDH would decide case-by-case on the need, for example, to appoint a representative to follow a particular meeting or file.

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Appendix I**List of participants / Liste des participants**

The gender distribution of the 82 participants in the meeting was as follows: 34 women (42 %) and 48 men (58 %) including the Chairman.

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Appendix II**Agenda****ITEM 1: OPENING OF THE MEETING, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Draft agenda	CDDH(2013)OJ001
Draft order of business	CDDH(2013)OT001
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76

ITEM 2: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Recommendation 2010(2013) - « Migration and asylum : mounting tensions in the Eastern Mediterranean »	CDDH(2013)006

ITEM 3: REFORM OF THE COURT (DH-GDR)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76
Report of the 3 rd meeting of the Committee of experts on the reform of the Court (13-15 February 2013)	DH-GDR(2013)R3

3.1 Completed work

Draft Protocol No. 16	CDDH(2012)R76 Addendum V
Draft Explanatory Report to Protocol No. 16	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum I
Draft CDDH report on interim measures under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum II
Draft CDDH report on the advisability and modalities of a “representative application procedure”	DH-GDR(2013)R3 Addendum III

3.2 Organisation of the future work

Report of the 3 rd meeting of the Committee of experts on the reform of the Court (13-15 February 2013)	DH-GDR(2013)R3
Recent decisions of the Ministers’ Deputies on measures to improve the execution of the judgments and decisions of the Court	CDDH(2013)002
Follow-up to the Brighton Conference, 18-20 April 2012	CDDH(2012)009Rev

ITEM 4: ACCESSION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 3 rd 47+1 meeting (7-9 November 2012)	47+1(2012)R3
Report of the 4 th 47+1 meeting (21-23 January 2013)	47+1(2013)R4

ITEM 5: DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 76 th meeting of the CDDH (27-30 November 2012)	CDDH(2012)R76

5.1 Rights of older persons (CDDH-AGE)

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the CDDH-AGE (26-26 September 2012)	CDDH-AGE(2012)R2
Draft Agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the CDDH-AGE (15-17 May 2013)	CDDH-AGE(2013)OJ03Prov

5.2 Corporate social responsibility in the field of human rights

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Document prepared by the Secretariat	CDDH(2012)012
Feasibility study	CM(2012)164 add

5.3 Human rights in culturally diverse societies

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Document prepared by the Secretariat	CDDH(2012)018
Committee of Ministers' Thematic debate on "freedom of religion and the situation of religious minorities"	CDDH(2013)009

5.4 Follow-up to Committee of Ministers' Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4 on the human rights of members of the armed forces

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Questionnaire on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)4	CDDH(2012)015
Link to the web page - replies to the questionnaire	
Compilation of Member States' replies to the questionnaire	CDDH(2012)16FIN
Draft report on the implementation of the Recommendation	CDDH(2013)003

5.5 Follow-up to Committee of Ministers' Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Questionnaire on the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5	CDDH(2012)R76 Add.VIII
Link to the web page - replies to the questionnaire	
Compilation of Member States' replies to the questionnaire	CDDH(2013)004
Contributions by Amnesty International, ILGA Europe and the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights	CDDH(2013)008
Draft report on the implementation of the Recommendation	CDDH(2013)007

5.6 Future work

Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Annotated list of possible items for future work - Document prepared by the Secretariat – and comments from one Delegation	CDDH(2013)005Rev

ITEM 6: BIOETHICS (DH-BIO)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the DH-BIO (4-7 December 2012)	DH-BIO/RAP 2
Draft agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the DH-BIO (28-30 May 2013)	DH-BIO(2013)OJ1

ITEM 7: GENDER EQUALITY (GEC)

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001
Report of the 2 nd meeting of the GEC (14-16 November 2012)	GEC(2012)RAP 2
Draft agenda of the 3 rd meeting of the GEC (10-12 April 2013)	GEC(2013)OJ1

ITEM 8: EXPERTS REPRESENTING THE CDDH IN OTHER BODIES

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001

ITEM 9: ELECTIONS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (Paris, 7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
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ITEM 10: EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH PERSONALITIES

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001

ITEM 11: WORKING METHODS

Report of the 87 th meeting of the Bureau of the CDDH (7-8 March 2013)	CDDH-BU(2013)R87
Reference document	CDDH(2013)001

ITEM 12: CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

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Reference document	CDDH(2013)001

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Reference document	CDDH(2013)001

14.1 Participation requests from NGOs representatives

14.2 United Nations work in the field of human rights

Appendix III**Recommendation of the Parliamentary Assembly 2010(2013) – “Migration and asylum: mounting tensions in Eastern Mediterranean”****Comments adopted by the CDDH
At its 77th meeting (19-22 March 2013)**

1. In respect of this Recommendation, the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) would like to submit the following.

2. The CDDH notes the Council of Europe must make sure that its core values (protection of human rights and rule of law) are also respected in the field of migration and asylum. The CDDH notes that the Council of Europe already has a wide range of conventions, guidelines and recommendations, and that new standard-setting activities should be avoided unless specific needs are identified. It is crucial that the institutions, such as the monitoring bodies, co-ordinate their work among themselves and cooperate with, e.g., the European Union and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to avoid overlapping or parallel tracks and to achieve goals with added value.

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Appendix IV

Declarations made by two Delegations on the follow-up to Committee of Ministers' Recommendation (CM/Rec(2010)5) on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity

(item 5.5 of the 77th meeting of the CDDH, 19-22 March 2013)

BULGARIA

(original French – translation by the Secretariat)

Bulgaria reiterates the position expressed at the 76th meeting of the CDDH, according to which Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 of the Committee of Ministers does not provide for a follow-up of its implementation on a regular basis.

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

The Russian Federation did not participate in the adoption of the report concerning the questionnaire on the follow-up of Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5 of the Committee of Ministers on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity and dissociated itself with the contents of the report, for the reasons expressed in the statement made by the Representative of the Russian Federation at the 1081st CM meeting on 31 March 2010, appended to the Records (Addendum to [CM/Del/Dec\(2010\)1081](#)), and in the declaration of the delegation of the Russian Federation appended to the report of the 76th meeting of the CDDH (document CDDH(2012)R76, Appendix VI).

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Appendix V**Calendar of meetings of the CDDH and its subordinate bodies**Adopted by the CDDH at its 77th meeting (19-22 March 2013)

First Semester 2013		
4 th meeting of the Ad Hoc Group on the accession of EU on ECHR		21-23 January
<i>1160th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies</i>		<i>30 January</i>
2 nd meeting of Drafting Group C on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-C)		30 January - 1 February
3 rd meeting of the Committee of experts on the Reform of the Court (DH-GDR)		13-15 February
87 th meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH-BU)		Paris, 7-8 March
77 th meeting of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH)		19-22 March
<i>1166th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies</i>		<i>27 March</i>
5 th meeting of the Ad Hoc Group on the accession of EU on ECHR		3-5 April
<i>1167th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies</i>		<i>3 April</i>
<i>1168th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies</i>		<i>10 April</i>
1 st meeting of Drafting Group D on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-D)		10-12 April
3 rd meeting of the Gender Equality Commission (GEC)		10-12 April
3 rd meeting of the Bureau of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO-BU)		18-19 April
3 rd meeting of the Drafting Group on the Human Rights of Older Persons (CDDH-AGE)		15-17 May
<i>123rd Session of the Committee of Ministers</i>		<i>16 May</i>
2 nd meeting of Drafting Group D on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-D)		15-17 May
1 st meeting of Drafting Group E on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-E)		22-24 May

3 rd meeting of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO)		28-30 May
4 th meeting of the Committee of experts on the Reform of the Court (DH-GDR)		5-7 June
88 th meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH-BU)		Paris, 13-14 June
78 th meeting of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH)		25-28 June
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2 nd meeting of Drafting Group E on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-E)		18-20 September
[3 rd meeting of Drafting Group E on the Reform of the Court (GT-GDR-E) if necessary]		[9-11 October]
4 ^e meeting of the Bureau of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO)		[Mid-October]
5 th meeting of the Committee of experts on the Reform of the Court (DH-GDR)		29-31 October
4 th meeting of the Gender Equality Commission (GEC)		13-15 November
89 th meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH-BU)		7-8 November
4 ^e meeting of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO)		18-22 November
79 th meeting of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH)		26-29 November

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