



DIRECTORATE GENERAL I — LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF CRIME PROBLEMS

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8th GRECO Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 4-8 March 2002)

Decisions

The Group of States against corruption (GRECO), during its 8th plenary meeting in Strasbourg on 4-8 March 2002, having deliberated, took the following decisions:

- 1. adopted the agenda as it appears in document Greco (2002) OJ8;
- adopted, following two readings, the First Round Evaluation Report on Poland as reproduced in document Greco Eval I Rep (2001) 11E (P3) revised;
- adopted, following two readings, the First Round Evaluation Report on Romania, as reproduced in document Greco Eval I Rep (2001) 13E (P3) revised;
- 4. adopted, following two readings, the First Round Evaluation Report on Germany, as reproduced in document Greco Eval I Rep (2001) 12E (P3) revised;
- 5. adopted, following two readings, the First Round Evaluation Report on Lithuania, as reproduced in document Greco Eval I Rep (2002) 1E (P3) revised;
- 6. approved the Bureau's proposals concerning the organisation of GRECO's work for 2002, as they appear under item 6 of document Greco (2002) 4E which reports on its 11th meeting (Paris, 14-15 February 2002) and, notably, those related to the preparation of the 2nd evaluation round which will begin on 1 January 2003;
- took note of the list of intervenors approved by the Bureau in accordance with Rule of Procedure 29, paragraph 2, for GRECO's 9th Plenary Meeting, as it appears in document Greco Eval I (2002) 2 bilingual;
- 8. agreed on the composition of the Evaluation Teams which will be responsible for visits to be carried until end of April 2002 as proposed by the Bureau in document Greco Eval I (2001) 17 of 8 March 2002 and instructed the Secretariat to transmit this information to the members submitted to evaluation during this period, in accordance with Rule 26, paragraph 3 of the Rules of Procedure;
- 9. approved document Greco (2002) 6E proposing dates for GRECO's main activities in 2002 and, notably, GRECO Plenary Meetings, Bureau meetings, evaluation visits and the 2nd evaluation round training seminar for evaluators;
- 10. invited the representatives of those members who had not yet submitted proposals for possible dates for the evaluation visits to do so without delay;
- invited the representatives of those members who had not yet submitted names of expert evaluators to the Secretariat to do so as soon as possible;
- invited the delegations of Poland, Romania, Germany and Lithuania to confirm their authorities' agreement to the lifting of the confidentiality of their respective Evaluation Reports adopted under decisions 2, 3, 4 and 5 above;
- adopted the Second General Activity Report for 2001, as it appears in document Greco (2001) 16E Final;

- adopted the General Activity Report of GRECO relating to its Initial Trial Period from September 1999 to May 2002, as it appears in document Greco (2002) 1E Revised;
- 15. instructed the Secretariat to transmit the documents mentioned under decisions 11 and 12 above to the Committee of Ministers in order that they serve as a basis for the decision to be taken by the Committee of Ministers on the continuation of this partial and enlarged agreement at the end of the three-year trial period foreseen by Resolution (99) 5 establishing the GRECO, and by Resolution (96) 36 establishing the criteria for partial and enlarged agreements of the Council of Europe;
- 16. accepted the invitation extended by the delegation of Cyprus to host in its country the 2nd Evaluation Round Training Seminar for Evaluators, to be held on 20-22 November 2002;
- thanked the authorities of Cyprus for their hospitality and generous contribution to the work of GRECO;
- 18. postponed consideration of Agenda item no. 10, "Preparation of the European Conference of specialised services in the fight against corruption", to its 9th Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 13-17 May 2002);
- 19. took note of the opinion prepared by the Treaty Office, as it appears in document Greco (2002) 3E, according to which GRECO has, on the basis of its Statute, implicit power to organise conferences of specialised services and other events aimed at the exchange of information and expertise in the field of the fight against corruption;
- 20. took note with interest of the participation in the work of the Plenary, after a long absence, of the representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and of the latter's reiterated commitment to participate fully in GRECO's work;
- appointed M. K. Lehmus (Finland) to represent GRECO at the third Steering Group of SPAI ("Stability Pact Anticorruption Initiative") to be held in Washington D.C. in April 2002;
- 22. decided to hold its next meetings as foreseen in document Greco (2002) 6E.