



# DIRECTORATE GENERAL I – LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF CRIME PROBLEMS

Strasbourg, 2 December 2004

Greco (2004) 22E

## 21st GRECO Plenary Meeting

(Strasbourg, 29 November – 2 December 2004)

### **DECISIONS**

At its 21<sup>st</sup> Plenary Meeting (Strasbourg, 29 November – 2 December 2004), the Group of States against corruption (GRECO):

adopted the agenda (Greco (2004) OJ21);

#### Information by the President

2. took note of the information provided by the President, as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2004) 23E);

#### Information by the Executive Secretary

 took note of the information provided by the Executive Secretary as detailed in the Summary Report of the meeting (Greco (2004) 23E);

#### Second Evaluation Round

- 4. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on Belgium (Greco Eval II Rep (2004) 1E);
- 5. adopted, following two readings, the Second Round Evaluation Report on France (Greco Eval II Rep (2004) 5E);
- 6. invited the authorities of Belgium and France to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the reports mentioned in decisions 4 and 5 above;
- 7. approved the composition of Second Round Evaluation Teams in charge of the evaluation of Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands and Turkey (Greco Eval II (2003) 1bil of 24 November 2004);

#### First Round Compliance Procedure

- 8. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Albania (Greco RC-I (2004) 11E);
- adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Croatia (Greco RC-I (2004) 4E);
- 10. adopted the First Round Compliance Report on Greece (Greco RC-I (2004) 2E);
- adopted the First Round Compliance Report on "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" (Greco RC-I (2004) 15E);
- 12. invited the authorities of Albania, Croatia, Greece and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" to authorise, as soon as possible, the publication of the RC Reports mentioned in decisions 8, 9, 10 and 11 above;
- approved the Comments II (Greco Eval I (2004) 8E) prepared by its Special Rapporteur, Mr. Ákos KARA (Hungary), on information provided by the delegation of Georgia pursuant to Rule 32, paragraph 2, al. (i) of GRECO's Rules of Procedure and in accordance with Decisions 12 of GRECO 16 and 17 of GRECO 19:
- 14. welcomed the progress reported and urged the Georgian authorities to pursue their efforts with a view to complying with recommendations not yet addressed in an appropriate manner, bearing in mind the observations made in paragraphs 4 to 15 of the Comments II;

15. in the light of the Comments II referred to in decision 13 above, invited the delegation of Georgia to submit additional information to the Executive Secretary by 21 February 2005 in view of its examination by the Special Rapporteur and, subsequently, by GRECO 22;

#### Rules of Procedure

asked the Bureau to revise – in the light of the discussions - the proposed amendment to Rule 31 of its Rules of Procedure (Greco (2004) 20 Revised) concerning Additional Reports required by First Round Compliance Reports, and agreed to examine the new draft at GRECO 22;

#### Programme of Activities for 2005

17. adopted its Programme of Activities for 2005 as it appears in document Greco (2004) 16E Final;

#### Annual Activity Report 2004

18. decided to include a substantive section on "Immunities of public officials as obstacles in the fight against corruption" in its Fifth Annual Activity Report (2004);

#### **Dates of Forthcoming Meetings**

- 19. noted that the Bureau will hold its 28<sup>th</sup> meeting in Strasbourg on 3-4 February 2005;
- 20. decided to hold its 22<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting in Strasbourg on 14-18 March 2005.