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To the members of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

Synopsis of the meetings held in Strasbourg on 29 and 30 January 2025

The Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, meeting in Strasbourg, on 29 and 30 January 2025:

- on **Wednesday, 29 January 2025, from 14:00 to 15:30**, with first Lord Leslie Griffiths (United Kingdom, SOC), eldest member present, and then Mr Oleksii Goncharenko (Ukraine, ECPA), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:
 - **Election of the Bureau of the Committee:** re-elected by acclamation:
 - Mr Oleksii Goncharenko (Ukraine, ECPA), Chairperson,
 - Ms Kate Osamor (United Kingdom, SOC), 1st Vice-Chairperson,
 - Mr Emmanuel Fernandes (France, UEL), 2nd Vice-Chairperson,
 - Ms Tamara Vonta (Slovenia, ALDE), 3rd Vice-Chairperson;
 - **Reconstitution and composition of the Sub-Committees:** reconstituted its three sub-committees and approved their composition (see Appendix):
 - Sub-Committee on Refugee and Migrant Children and Young People,
 - Sub-Committee on Diasporas and Integration,
 - Sub-Committee on Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Human Beings;
 - **Immigration, one of the answers to Europe's demographic ageing** (*Rapporteur: Ms Kate Osamor, United Kingdom, SOC*): took position on 10 amendments and 4 sub-amendments to the draft resolution;
 - **Artificial Intelligence and migration** (*Rapporteur: Mr Petri Honkonen, Finland, ALDE*): held an exchange of views with the participation of Mr Philippe Harant, Head of Unit – Strategy, Capabilities and Coordination, EU-LISA;
 - **Ad hoc committee of the Bureau established to participate in the parliamentary conference on “Envisioning effective public policy to prevent & address cases of missing migrants” organised as a follow-up to Resolution 2569 (2024) “Missing migrants, refugees and asylum seekers – A call to clarify their fate” (23-24 April 2025, in Strasbourg):** heard a statement by Mr Paul Gavan (Ireland, UEL) on the purpose of the conference on behalf of Mr Julian Pahlke (Germany, SOC), rapporteur for follow-up on Resolution 2569 (2024), who was obliged to be present at the German Bundestag during the committee meeting; called for participation in the ad-hoc committee of the Bureau of the Assembly and appointed the following Committee representatives (*participation at no cost to the Assembly*):
 - Ms Larysa Bilozir (Ukraine, ALDE)
 - Ms Sena Nur Çelik Kanat (Türkiye, NR)
 - Ms Christiana Erotokritou (Cyprus, SOC)
 - Lord Michael German (United Kingdom, ALDE)
 - Ms Meryem Göka (Türkiye, NR)

- Mr Oleksii Goncharenko (Ukraine, ECPA)
- Mr Julian Pahlke (Germany, SOC)
- Mr Paulo Pisco (Portugal, SOC)
- Ms Pelin Yılık (Türkiye, NR)
- Ms Sandra Zampa (Italy, SOC)
- **Work programme:** considered the work programme;
- **Appointment of rapporteurs:** appointed by acclamation:
 - Ms Diana Stoica (Romania, ALDE) rapporteur for opinion on “Analysis and guidelines to guarantee the right to housing and to decent housing” (subject to hearing from her a declaration of absence of conflict of interest at the next meeting);
 - Ms Christiana Erotokritou (Cyprus, SOC) rapporteur for report on “Frontline States: the role of the Council of Europe in implementing the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum” and heard from her a declaration of absence of conflict of interest;
- **Autorisation:** authorised:
 - Mr Paul Galles (Luxembourg, EPP/CD), in his capacity as the former rapporteur on “Addressing the specific challenges faced by the Belarusians in exile” to participate in the conference “Rights and Authoritarianisms: the Case of Belarus” on 6 and 7 March 2025 in Rome (*at no cost to the Assembly*);
- **Gender equality in the functioning of the Assembly:** took note of the Information memorandum prepared by the Secretariat of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination;
- **Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2025:** took note of the call for nominations and of the deadline of 30 April 2025 for the submission of nominations;
- **Increasing members’ active participation in and contribution to the work of the Parliamentary Assembly and its committees:** decided to hold a discussion on this issue during its next meeting in March;
- **Next meetings:** took note of its next meetings as follows:
 - Paris, 11 March 2025 (Council of Europe Office)
 - Strasbourg, 7-11 April 2025 (during the Assembly part-session)
 - Paris, 19 May 2025 (Council of Europe Office)
 - Strasbourg, 23-27 June 2025 (during the Assembly part-session)
 - Strasbourg, 29 September-3 October 2025 (during the Assembly part-session)
 - Place and date tbc, 20-21 October 2025
 - Paris, 8 December 2025 (Council of Europe Office);
- **on Thursday, 30 January 2025 at 14:00**, as regards:
 - **Ukrainian prisoners of war, journalists and other civilians held in captivity by the Russian Federation:** held a joint hearing with the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights and the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, with the participation of Mr Maksym Butkevych, Human rights defender, officer of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, ex-POW, journalist; Ms Leniie Umerova, recently exchanged Crimean Tatar and civilian hostage (Ukrainian citizen); Mr Yulian Pylypei, Ukrainian marine, Mariupol defender, 2.5 years in Russian captivity; Ms Nataliia Yashchuk, Senior War Consequences Officer, Center for Civil Liberties, Kyiv, followed by an exchange of views.

Tatiana Termacic, Angela Garabagiu, Gaël Martin-Micallef, Marie Martin, Manuela De Koster

cc: Secretary General of the Assembly
Directors and all staff of the Secretariat of the Assembly
Secretaries of National Delegations and of Political Groups of the Assembly
Secretaries of observer and partner for democracy delegations
Secretary General of the Congress
Secretary to the Committee of Ministers
Directors General
Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Director of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights
Director of Communication
Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe

Appendix / Annexe**Composition of the Sub-Committees / Composition des sous-commissions**

1. **Sub-Committee on Refugee and Migrant Children and Young People /**
Sous-commission sur les enfants et les jeunes réfugiés et migrants
 27 seats / sièges

Chairperson / Président·e : ZZ...

Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président·e : ZZ...

	COUNTRY / PAYS	MEMBER / MEMBRE	ALTERNATE / REMPLAÇANT·E
1.	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE	Ms Arusyak JULHAYAN	
2.	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE	Mr Manu DIERICX	Ms Anne LAMBELIN
3.	FINLAND / FINLANDE	Mr Petri HONKONEN	
4.	FRANCE	Mme Sylvie GOY-CHAVENT	
5.	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE	Mr Thomas BAREIß	Ms Katja LEIKERT
6.	GREECE / GRÈCE	Mr Dimitrios MARKOPOULOS	Mr Ioannis OIKONOMOU
7.	IRELAND / IRLANDE	Mr Paul GAVAN	Ms Fiona O'LOUGHLIN
8.	ITALY / ITALIE	Ms Sandra ZAMPA	
9.	LUXEMBOURG	Mr Paul GALLES	
10.	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS	Ms Saskia KLUIT	
11.	PORTUGAL	Mr Paulo PISCO	
12.	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE	Mr Ionuț-Marian STROE	
13.	SPAIN / ESPAGNE	Ms Nerea AHEDO	Mr Gonzalo ROBLES
14.	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE	Ms Marianne BINDER-KELLER	Mr Alfred HEER
15.	TÜRKIYE	Ms Sena Nur ÇELİK	
16.	TÜRKIYE	Ms Meryem GÖKA	
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**2. Sub-Committee on Diasporas and Integration /
Sous-commission sur les diasporas et l'intégration**
27 seats / sièges

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Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président·e: ZZ...

	COUNTRY / PAYS	MEMBER / MEMBRE	ALTERNATE / REMPLAÇANT·E
1.	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE	Mr Hayk MAMIJANYAN	Ms Arusyak JULHAYAN
2.	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE	Ms Anne LAMBELIN	Mr Manu DIERICX
3.	FINLAND / FINLANDE	Mr Petri HONKONEN	
4.	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE	Mr Levan MACHAVARIANI ¹	
5.	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE	Mr Konstantin KUHLE	Mr Fabian FUNKE
6.	GREECE / GRÈCE	Mr Dimitrios MANTZOS	Mr Evripidis STYLIANIDIS
7.	IRELAND / IRLANDE	Ms Fiona O'LOUGHLIN	
8.	ITALY / ITALIE	Mr Dimitri COIN	
9.	LUXEMBOURG	Mr Paul GALLES	
10.	MONTENEGRO / MONTÉNÉGRO	Ms Nađa LAKOVIĆ	
11.	PORTUGAL	Mr Paulo PISCO	
12.	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE	Ms Diana STOICA	
13.	SERBIA / SERBIE	Mr Đorđe STANKOVIĆ	
14.	SPAIN / ESPAGNE	Mr Antonio GUTIÉRREZ LIMONES	
15.	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE	Mr Pierre-Alain FRIDEZ	Ms Marianne BINDER-KELLER
16.	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE	Mr Alfred HEER	
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¹ On 3 February, Mr Machavariani resigned from the Assembly.

**3. Sub-Committee on Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Human Beings /
Sous-commission sur le trafic de migrants et la traite des êtres humains**
27 seats / sièges

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1.	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE	Mr Hayk MAMIJANYAN	
2.	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE	Ms Stephanie KRISPER	
3.	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE	Mr Britt HUYBRECHTS	Mr Julien RIBAUDO
4.	CYPRUS / CHYPRE	Ms Christiana EROTKRITOU	
5.	FRANCE	Mme Nicole DURANTON	Mme Michelle GRÉAUME
6.	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE	Mr Christoph HOFFMANN	
7.	GREECE / GRÈCE	Mr Dimitrios MARKOPOULOS	Mr Dimitrios MANTZOS
8.	IRELAND / IRLANDE	Mr Paul GAVAN	
9.	ITALY / ITALIE	Mr Marco SCURRIA	
10.	LUXEMBOURG	Ms Octavie MODERT	
11.	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS	Ms Saskia KLUIT	
12.	POLAND / POLOGNE	Mr Kacper PŁAŻYŃSKI	
13.	PORTUGAL		Ms Jamila MADEIRA
14.	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE	Ms Diana STOICA	
15.	SERBIA / SERBIE	Mr Vladimir ĐORĐEVIĆ	
16.	SPAIN / ESPAGNE	Ms Nerea AHEDO	
17.	SPAIN / ESPAGNE	Mr Gonzalo ROBLES	
18.	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE	Ms Céline AMAUDRUZ	Mr Pierre-Alain FRIDEZ
19.	TÜRKIYE	Mr Abdurrahman BABACAN	
20.	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI	Lord Michael GERMAN	Mr Mike READER
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