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To the members of the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Synopsis of the meeting held in Paris on 10 June 2025

The Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights, meeting on 10 June 2025, with Ms Petra Bayr (Austria, SOC), Chairperson, in the chair, as regards:

- ***Consideration of a list of candidates for a post of judge at the European Court of Human Rights (United Kingdom):***
 - held an exchange of views with the Chair of the Advisory Panel of Experts, Mr Luis López Guerra;
 - held interviews with the candidates and recommended to the Assembly, by a large majority, Mr Hugh Mercer as the most qualified candidate;
- ***Other business:***
 - took note of the correspondence between Ms Despina Chatzivassiliou, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly, and Mr Haris Bašić, Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Council of Europe, on the one hand, and Mr Saša Magazinović, Chairperson of the Delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Parliamentary Assembly, on the other, as regards recent developments concerning the national selection procedure in Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- ***Next meeting:*** took note of the forthcoming meeting of the committee as follows:
 - Paris, 15-16 September 2025 (Council of Europe office) – tbc.

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