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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 15 September 2025

The Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights, meeting on 15 September 2025, with Ms Petra Bayr (Austria, SOC), Chairperson, then with Lord Richard Keen (United Kingdom, ECPA), in the Chair, as regards:

- **Consideration of a list of candidates for a post of judge at the European Court of Human Rights (Cyprus):**
 - 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 majority, Ms Margarita Papantoniou as the most qualified candidate;
- **Consideration of a list of candidates for a post of judge at the European Court of Human Rights (Hungary):**
 - held an exchange of views with the Chair of the Advisory Panel of Experts, Mr Luis López Guerra;
 - recommended to the Assembly to reject the list on procedural grounds;
- **Procedure for the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights (rapporteur: Ms Petra Bayr, Austria, SOC):** considered a preliminary draft report;
- **Seminar marking the 15 years of the Advisory Panel's work (Strasbourg, 27 November 2025):** decided to set up an ad hoc sub-committee to participate in the Seminar;
- **Next meeting:** took note of the forthcoming meeting of the committee as follows:
 - Paris, 12-13 January 2026 (Council of Europe office) – tbc.

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