



**Standing Committee**  
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**Standing Committee meeting**  
**Report**  
**09.10.2023**  
**09:00-10:00**  
**Hybrid meeting**  
AGORA – Room B4.06.C & Zoom

**Present:** Gerhard Ermischer, Christoph Spreng, Beata Zwierzynska, Ruth Allen, Piotr Sadowsky, Simon Matthijssen, Geneviève Laloy, Anu Juvonen, Mary-Ann Hennessey, Bénédicte Kern, Marie-Claire Galibert & Anne Kraus for the Committee of Verification and Dispute + 3 observers

1. Opening of the meeting by Gerhard Ermischer, Chair of the SC
2. Rapporteurs will now act according to the actual list: Geneviève Laloy
3. Draft agenda - for adoption: adopted
4. Draft minutes of the last meeting - for adoption: adopted
5. Preparation for GA / last minute adaptations
  - Gerhard goes through the agenda for the session and the number of last-minute changes (see the latest version of the agenda).
  - Importance to remind the INGOs present physically and online of all the dates coming up for elections, new committees, the four annual evaluation
  - Reminder of rules for elections & committee creation (to be done by the Verification and Dispute Committee and by Ruth)
  - **Rapporteurs:** distribution to be carried out + reminder that reports must be within the required time
  - Monday afternoon: Simon & Piotr as back-up
  - Tuesday afternoon: Ruth
  - Wednesday morning: Geneviève
  - **Networking:** every member of the SC should be at the tables and above all the place for new committee ideas. Find a time to give feedback to Ruth & Gerhard. Networking feedback at the GA on Wednesday: Ruth & Gerhard
  - **Other things to discuss for the General Assembly :**
  - At the presentation on Nagorny Karabakh give room for the intervention by Gilbert Flam. Should we discuss other conflicts there as well? Finally, the situation in Israel was mentioned as well, but no statements prepared.

- Use the WFD for an informal SC meeting, a number of members will be present in Strasbourg and we can find a timeslot for a hybrid meeting.
- **Reminder of the Rules by Anne Kraus** for the next elections reviewed by the Committee of Verification and Dispute on statutes articles 99 to 122.
- Timetable drawn up in accordance with the Rules of Procedure for the upcoming elections<sup>1</sup> to be presented at the GA and distributed to all members online.
- Reminder to update the INGO database – all information and invitations for elections, formation of new committees and the four-annual evaluation can only be distributed to the email addresses given in the INGO database. If members neglect to update their information these important communications will be lost. Failure to fill out the evaluation form will inevitably lead to loss of participatory status.
- SC reviews the documents that will be projected.

6. Any other business

None

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<sup>1</sup> P.S. : 8 April written as the day of elections. This is the 1st day. But setting up the Plenary Agenda is SAC business. In response to this you rightly said that the outgoing SC should preside over the current Committee's final reports. After that elections could be held. The newly elected SC's first item would logically be to chair the process of voting/launching the Committees of the new term. This would mean that elections should be on 9 April.