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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft Agenda

for the meeting to be held on 8 September 2023 from 9.30am – 4.45pm

Paris, (Council of Europe Office)

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1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

[AS/Jur (2023) PV 05]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Strasbourg during the June part-session 20-21 June 2023

3. Possible election of a 2nd Vice-Chairperson

Owing to the departure of Ms Margreet De Boer (Netherlands, SOC) from the Assembly

4. Pegasus and similar spyware and secret state surveillance

Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt (Netherlands, EPP/CD)

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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution and a draft recommendation

5. Examining the legitimacy and legality of the ad hominem term-limit waiver for the incumbent President of the Russian Federation

Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt, The Netherlands, EPP/CD

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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

11h45 – 12h – coffee break

Hearing:

6. Implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights – 12th report

Rapporteur: Constantinos Efsthathiou, Cyprus, SOC

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum and hearing with the participation of:

Professor Philip Leach, Professor of Human Rights Law, School of Law, Middlesex University, United Kingdom

Mr Gerald Knaus, Chairman of the European Stability Initiative (ESI), Berlin, Germany

1-2.30pm - Lunch break:

7. Reference extension request

Towards a transparency register within the Parliamentary Assembly

Rapporteur: Ms Azadeh Rojhan Gustafsson, Sweden, SOC

Proposal to extend the reference (initial deadline 27.09.2023)

8. References transmitted to the committee

[AS/Jur/Inf (2023) 08 - Appointment procedure document

AS/Jur/Inf (2023) 22 - Rapporteur table

[Doc. 15728](#)

[Doc. 15771](#)

[Doc 15390](#)

[Doc. 15513](#)

[Doc. 15752](#)

[Doc. 15777](#)

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- **Appointment of Rapporteurs:**

For Report:

Commemorating the 90th anniversary of the Holodomor of 1932-1933 in Ukraine

[Doc. 15728](#))

On private military companies, mercenaries, foreign fighters and their impact on human rights ([Doc. 15771](#))

For Opinion :

Child abuse in Europe: addressing compensation and prevention ([Doc 15390](#))

(Re-appointment owing to the departure of the former Rapporteur for opinion Ms Margreet De Boer (Netherlands, SOC) from the Assembly

(Rapporteur for the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development: Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC)

Safeguarding future rights for future generations ([Doc. 15513](#))

(Re-appointment owing to the departure of the former Rapporteur for opinion Ms Margreet De Boer (Netherlands, SOC) from the Assembly
(Rapporteur for the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development: Rapporteur: Mr Pedro Cegonho, Portugal, SOC

- **References transmitted for consultation**

A parliamentary sponsorship programme between the Parliamentary Assembly members and human rights defenders or the politically oppressed ([Doc. 15752](#))

(NB reference also transmitted to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for consultation)

The detention of Julian Assange and its chilling effects on human rights ([Doc. 15777](#))

- **References transmitted for inclusion in other reports**

- ***Support for the reconstruction of Ukraine*** ([Doc. 15732](#))

to be taken into account in the framework of the report on “Legal and human rights aspects of the Russian Federation’s aggression against Ukraine”

(NB reference also transmitted to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy for report)

- ***Investigation into the illegal surveillance of foreign leaders, political opponents and activists in Poland*** ([Doc. 15751](#))

to be taken into account in the framework of the report on “Pegasus and similar spyware and secret state surveillance”

(NB reference also transmitted to the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) for information)

Hearing:

9. Legal and human rights aspects of the Russian Federation’s aggression against Ukraine

Rapporteur: Mr. Davor Ivo Stier (Croatia, EPP/CD)

[[Doc. 15689](#),

[Res. 2482](#)

[Doc. 15720](#)]

Hearing focusing on the “Wagner group”, with the participation of:

Ms Jelena Aparac, Head of Policy, Advocacy and Research, Legal Action Worldwide (LAW), former Chairperson of United Nations Working Group on the use of mercenaries, Geneva, Switzerland

Ms Lou Osborn, “All eyes on Wagner”, France

Ms Nathalia Dukhan, Senior investigator focusing on war crimes and transnational criminal organisations, The Sentry, Washington

10. Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the Committee

[[AS/Jur (2023) 23, [Doc. 15788](#)]

AS/Jur (2023) 22, [Doc. 15800](#)]

[Recommendation 2236 \(2022\)](#) on “Reported cases of political prisoners in the Russian Federation” adopted at the 1467th meeting of the Ministers’ Deputies on 31 May

[Recommendation 2240 \(2022\)](#) on “Preventing vaccine discrimination” adopted at the 1469th meeting of the Ministers’ Deputies on 14 June 2023

11. Hearings during the next meeting

12. Other business

- Humanitarian situation in Nagorno-Karabakh
- Sub-committees
- Statement by the Rapporteur for follow-up for “*Transnational repression as a growing threat to the rule of law and human rights*” (Rapporteur: Sir Christopher Chope, United Kingdom, EC/DA)

13. Next meetings

- End of year meeting

Plenary Committee:

- during the Assembly’s 4th part-session of 2023 (9-13 October 2023)
- 30 November 2023, afternoon, Paris Office and 1 December 2023, Paris Office (t.b.c.)