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STEERING COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS  
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**DRAFTING GROUP ON MIGRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

**(CDDH-MIG)**

6<sup>th</sup> meeting

Draft Annotated Agenda

26 March (9:30) – 28 March (12:00)

Council of Europe, Agora – Room G.06

The agenda and the documents of the meeting are available on the website

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### **ITEM 1: OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The Chair will open the meeting and the agenda will be adopted as it stands if no objections are put forth.

### **ITEM 2: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD**

The Chair, Rapporteur and/or Secretariat will give an update on recent developments. The Group is also invited to share relevant developments in their respective countries, in particular as concerns alternatives to immigration detention and reception conditions for children.

### **ITEM 3: ALTERNATIVES TO IMMIGRATION DETENTION: FOSTERING EFFECTIVE RESULTS – PRACTICAL GUIDANCE**

At the last meeting the Group expressed its overall satisfaction with the work on the practical guidance. It preliminarily examined the first draft, section by section, and provided suggestions.

The Group is invited to review the revised text and written comments received to decide on a final version of the text.

### **ITEM 4: GUIDELINES ON ALTERNATIVES TO IMMIGRATION DETENTION FOR CHILDREN**

At its last meeting, the Group exchanged views on potential guidelines on alternatives to the immigration detention for children.

Should this work be pursued, the Group is invited to reflect on what a draft table of contents could potentially look like and provide comments as to next steps. In this context, the Group is also invited to reflect on the priorities of the work for 2019 and the biennium 2020-2021.

As a first basis for discussion, a preliminary draft of potential guidelines in the field of alternatives to immigration detention and/or reception conditions for children in a migration context is put forth. The draft is only meant to stimulate comments and further suggestions as to the direction of the overall work. One idea put forth at the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the CDDH-MIG was to try to combine the Group's tasks on alternatives to immigration detention and reception conditions for children. The Group is invited to reflect on such possibilities as well.

### **ITEM 5: RECEPTION CONDITIONS FOR CHILDREN**

At its last meeting, the Group exchanged preliminary views on potential work on reception conditions for children. The Group asked the Rapporteur and Secretariat to draft a feasibility study as a first basis for discussion on possible options in the field.

The Group is invited to reflect on the draft feasibility study and the draft compilation of standards as well as other relevant material on reception conditions for children. Reflections on the topic(s) and format(s) that might be further pursued in the field for the upcoming biennium 2020-2021 will be invited, as well as discussions on possible next steps.

**ITEM 6: ADOPTION OF THE MEETING REPORT**

A draft meeting report will be put up for discussion and adoption by the Group.

**ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

The 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Group is preliminarily scheduled to be held in Strasbourg, 22-24 October 2019. An international Conference on “Effective Alternatives to the Detention of Migrants” will be jointly organized by the Council of Europe, the European Commission and the European Migration Network on 4 April 2019 in Strasbourg. Attendance to the Conference is open to all those who are interested.