COMMITTEE ON SAFETY AND SECURITY AT SPORTS EVENTS (T-S4)

COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONVENTION ON AN INTEGRATED SAFETY, SECURITY AND SERVICE APPROACH AT FOOTBALL MATCHES AND OTHER SPORTS EVENTS (CETS No.218)



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LIST OF DECISIONS

At its second meeting held on 1 December 2021, the Committee on Safety and Security at Sports Events, of the Saint-Denis Convention ("T-S4" or "Saint-Denis Committee"):

- 1. Adopted the agenda of the meeting as appears in document T-S4(2021)25;
- Adopted the revised version of its Rules of Procedure with its five annexes (List of Observers, Terms of Reference of its three Advisory Groups and its Ad Hoc Working Group on FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022), as it appears in document T-S4 (2021) 14rev1;
- 3. Held the election of the Chairperson of the Advisory Group on International Cooperation and of its Gender Equality Rapporteur, and elected:
 - as Chairperson of the Advisory Group on International Cooperation (T-S4 COOP): Mr Jakub Schor (Czech Republic)
 - as Gender Equality Rapporteur: Ms Elena-Katharina Liedl (Austria);
- 4. Took note of the unanimous decision of Parties to the T-RV Standing Committee of the European Convention on Spectator Violence (ETS No. 120) to suspend the activities and meetings of the Standing Committee and that T-RV States Parties are entitled to take part ex officio as Observers in the Saint-Denis Committee;
- 5. Granted the Observer Status to a new sport organisation: the Confédération Africaine de Football (CAF);
- 6. Took note of the Committee's new Observers: Canada, Chile, State of Qatar, CAFE, Colour Blind Awareness, Football Supporters Europe (FSE), FIFA, Interpol, Supporters Direct Europe (SDE) and UEFA:
- 7. Took note of the oral report of the 1st meeting of the Advisory Group on Standard Setting and Legal Issues (T-S4 LI), which took place online on 16 November 2021;
- 8. Adopted the "Model structure of a National Strategy on Safety, Security and Service at Sports Events", as in document T-S4(2021)35;
- 9. Took note of the preparation of two additional legal documents (draft legal framework model on S4 and draft model regulation on stewarding) by T-S4 LI with a view to their submission ahead of the next T-S4 meeting;
- 10. Took note of the oral report of the 1st meeting of the Advisory Group on Monitoring (T-S4 MON), which took place online on 26 October 2021;
- 11. Discussed the draft guidelines on monitoring (ref. T-S4 (2021)18), invited delegations to send further comments on it and agreed that the Secretariat would seek legal advice on the part relating to "the appointment and composition of the visiting team" (paragraph 5.3). The document will be discussed further in the 2nd meeting of the T-S4 MON and should be submitted for adoption at the next T-S4 Committee meeting in 2022;

- 12. Entrusted the Chair of the Advisory Group on Monitoring to contact the 21 States Parties to the Saint-Denis Convention, and other future major event hosting countries, in order to enquire about their interest in hosting a monitoring visit between 2022 and 2025, in order to establish a first programme of the T-S4 monitoring visits;
- 13. Invited all participants to express their interest in joining the Advisory Groups, in order to expand their composition and expertise;
- 14. Took note of the information provided by the delegations of Belgium, Germany, Serbia and the United Kingdom regarding their progress at domestic level towards a possible ratification of the Convention in 2022;
- 15. Took note of the receipts of the 2021 monitoring questionnaire by the 21 States Parties and 12 Observer States; these answers are currently being analysed and a draft report should circulate early 2022;
- 16. Took note of the two new linguistic versions, Polish and Portuguese, of the elearning course on the Saint-Denis Convention, which will be soon available online;
- 17. Took note of the preparation of a EU/CoE joint project on Combatting Hate Speech in Sport;
- 18. Took note of the update of the sport website with the 10 country profiles received and invited the missing countries to send their country profile before the end of January 2022;
- 19. Took note of the date of the final meeting on the follow-up of the UEFA EURO 2020 (3 December 2021) and the preparation of a draft by the Advisory Group on Standard Setting and Legal Issues, together with the Advisory Group on International Cooperation on good practices and lessons learned during this tournament, in particular for the benefit of future organisers. A number of these good practices could also be added to Recommendation T-S4 Rec(2021)1; and
- 20. Agreed to hold its next meetings as follows:

1st T-S4 COOP Advisory Group meeting: 3 February 2022

2nd T-S4 LI Advisory Group meeting: 25 February 2022

2nd T-S4 MON Advisory Group meeting: 7 March 2022

2nd T-S4 Bureau meeting: 14 March 2022

2nd Ad Hoc Working Group on FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 meeting:

May/June 2022

° 3rd T-S4 Committee meeting: 1-2 June 2022.