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Election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Progress report
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1. Report of the Sub-Committee on the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Meeting held in Paris on 12 June 2013.

Rapporteur: Mr Klaas de VRIES, Netherlands, Socialist Group.

2. Introduction

In accordance with previous practice and with the decisions the Assembly adopted in its [Resolution 1200 \(1999\)](#) as modified by [Resolution 1646 \(2009\)](#),¹ the Sub-Committee on the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights held interviews with candidates to the Court in respect of Iceland, Lithuania and the Slovak Republic.² A list of members of the Sub-Committee who participated in the meeting can be found in Appendix II.

3. Conclusions of the Sub-Committee on the lists of candidates submitted by Iceland, Lithuania and the Slovak Republic, Contracting States to the European Convention on Human Rights

3.1. Iceland

The Sub-Committee recommends, by an overwhelming majority, the candidature of **Mr Róbert Ragnar SPANÓ** as the most qualified candidate.

3.2. Lithuania

The Sub-Committee recommends, unanimously, the candidature of **Mr Egidijus KŪRIS** as the most qualified candidate.

3.3. Slovak Republic

As the candidates are not sufficiently well qualified, the Sub-Committee recommends that the list be rejected by the Assembly and that the Government of the Slovak Republic be requested to submit a new list of candidates.

1. See document AS/Jur/Inf (2013) 02 for details
http://www.assembly.coe.int/CommitteeDocs/2013/ajinfdoc02_2013.pdf.

2. See Appendix I for lists of candidates submitted by the States concerned. A full list and curriculum vitae of candidates can be found in Assembly documents [13212](#) (Iceland), [13213](#) (Lithuania) and [13232](#) (Slovak Republic).



Appendix 1 – Lists of candidates submitted by the Governments of Iceland, Lithuania and the Slovak Republic³

Iceland

- Mr Guðmundur ALFREDSSON
- Ms Oddný Mjöll ARNARDÓTTIR
- Mr Róbert Ragnar SPANÓ

Lithuania

- Ms Lyra JAKULEVIČIENĖ
- Mr Egidijus KŪRIS
- Mr Ignas VĖGĖLĖ

Slovak Republic

- Mr Ján DRGONEC
- Ms Marica PIROŠÍKOVÁ
- Mr Marek TOMAŠOVIČ

3. See footnote 2, above.

Appendix 2 – Members of the Sub-Committee who participated in the meeting⁴

Group of the European People’s Party (EPP/CD):

Mr Valeriu GHILETCHI, Republic of Moldova

Socialist Group (SOC):

Mr Klaas de VRIES, *Chairperson*, Netherlands

Lord TOMLINSON, *Vice-Chairperson*, United Kingdom

Mr Boriss CILEVIČS, Latvia

Mr Arcadio DÍAZ TEJERA, Spain

Ms Marietta KARAMANLI, France

European Democrat Group (EDG):

Ms Yuliya L'OVOCHKINA, Ukraine

Mr Robert NEILL, United Kingdom

Ex-officio:

Mr Christopher CHOPE, United Kingdom, Chairperson of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly:

Mr Wojciech Sawicki, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly

Mr Andrew Drzemczewski, Head of the Legal Affairs and Human Rights Department

4. Not all the members of the Sub-Committee participated in all the deliberations/interviews.