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# Activities of the Assembly's Bureau and Standing Committee (31 January 2020)

**Progress report**
Bureau of the Assembly
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## 1. Decisions of the Bureau of 31 January 2020 requiring ratification by the Assembly

### *1.1. References and transmissions to committees*

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The Bureau considered and approved the following references:

– Doc. 15030, Motion for a resolution, *Stopping harassment of women and men speaking out for the right to abort*: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for report;*

– Bureau decision, *Modification of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure – follow-up to Resolution 2319 (2020) on the Complementary joint procedure between the Committee of Ministers and the Parliamentary Assembly in response to a serious violation by a member State of its statutory obligations*: reference to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs *for report*;

– Bureau decision, *Gender representation in the Parliamentary Assembly* (follow-up to the challenge of credentials): reference to the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs *for report* and to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for opinion*;

– Bureau decision, *Recent developments in Libya and in the Middle East: what consequences for Europe?*: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report*.

#### *1.1.2. Requests for modification of references*

The Bureau considered and approved the following modifications of references:

– Doc. 14976, Motion for a resolution, *The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)*: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report* and to the Committee Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for opinion;*

– Doc. 15011, Motion for a resolution, *Discrimination against persons dealing with long-term illness*: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report* and to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *for opinion.*

### *1.2. Composition of the Monitoring Committee, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs and the Committee on the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights*

#### *1.2.1. Monitoring Committee*

The Bureau:

– on the basis of a proposal by the EPP/CD Group, appointed Ms Boriana Åberg (Sweden), Mr Viorel Riceard Badea (Romania), Mr Bernard Fournier (France), Mr Nikola Poposki (North Macedonia), Mr Tomislav Tolušić (Croatia) and Mr Nicos Tornaritis (Cyprus) as members;

– on the basis of a proposal by the SOC Group, appointed Mr Andrzej Szejna (Poland) as member.

#### *1.2.2. Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs*

The Bureau:

– on the basis of a proposal by the EPP/CD Group, appointed Mr Giorgi Kandelaki (Georgia), Ms Annicka Engblom (Sweden), Ms Linda Ozola (Latvia), Mr Vladimir Vardanyan (Armenia) and Mr Sergiy Vlasenko (Ukraine) as members;

– on the basis of a proposal by the SOC Group, appointed Ms Selin Sayek Böke (Turkey), Ms Yuliya Lovochkina (Ukraine) and Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus) as members.

#### *1.2.3. Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights*

The Bureau:

– on the basis of a proposal by the EPP/CD Group, appointed Mr Jason Azzopardi (Malta) as member and Mr Evripidis Stylianidis (Greece) as alternate;

– on the basis of a proposal by the SOC Group, appointed Ms Margreet De Boer (Netherlands), Ms Klotilda Bushka (Albania) and Mr Andrzej Szejna (Poland) as members, and Mr Irakli Kobakhidze (Georgia) as alternate;

– on the basis of a proposal by the ALDE Group, appointed Ms Stephanie Krisper (Austria) and Ms Emilie Enger Mehl (Norway) as members.

### *1.3. Poland: presidential election (10 May 2020 tbc)*

Subject to receiving an invitation, the Bureau decided to observe this election and constituted an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of 20 members (EPP/CD: 6; SOC: 6, ALDE: 4: EC/DA: 3, UEL: 1), as well as of the co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee; and to conduct a pre-electoral mission.

**The Assembly is invited to ratify these Bureau decisions.**