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## Activities of the Assembly's Bureau and Standing Committee (21 January 2022)

### Progress report

Bureau of the Assembly

Rapporteur: Mr Rik DAEMS, Belgium, Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

### 1. Decisions of the Bureau of 21 January 2022 requiring ratification by the Assembly

#### 1.1. Vice-Presidents of the Assembly in 2022

The Bureau took note of the list of candidates for Vice-Presidents of the Assembly (appendix 1).

#### 1.2. References and transmissions to committees

The Bureau considered and approved the following references:

- [Doc. 15414](#), Motion for a resolution, *The humanitarian crisis emerging for Afghanistan and Afghan refugees*: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report*
- [Doc. 15415](#), Motion for a resolution, *The theme of migration and asylum in the election campaign and the consequences on the welcoming and rights of migrants*: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report* and to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for opinion*
- [Doc. 15416](#), Motion for a resolution, *“Long Covid” and access to the right to health*: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report*
- [Doc. 15418](#), Motion for a resolution, *The Cultural Routes: a platform for intercultural dialogue*: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for report*
- [Doc. 15419](#), Motion for a resolution, *Countering SLAPPs: an imperative for the democratic society*: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for report* and to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for opinion*
- [Doc. 15420](#), Motion for a resolution, *Allegations of systemic torture and inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in places of detention in Council of Europe member States*: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*

#### 1.3. 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

The Bureau, on the basis of proposals by the political groups, nominated members of these three committees and decided to submit them to the Assembly for ratification (Commissions (2022) 01 Addendum 1).



## **1.4. Election observation**

### *1.4.1. Serbia: parliamentary and presidential elections (3 April 2022, tbc)*

The Bureau, subject to receiving an invitation, decided to observe these elections and to set up an ad hoc committee composed of 20 members (SOC-7; EPP/CD-6; EC/DA-3; ALDE-3; UEL-1), as well as the two co-rapporteurs of the monitoring committee, and to conduct a pre-electoral mission.

## **1.5. Resolution 1376 (2004) relating to Cyprus**

The Bureau took note of the letters from the two Turkish Cypriot political parties informing the President of the Assembly of the names of the "elected representatives of the Turkish Cypriot community" entitled to sit in the Assembly in 2022, namely Mr Armağan Candan and Mr Özdemir Berova.

## **1.6. Resolution 2094 (2016) on the situation in Kosovo\*<sup>1</sup> and the role of the Council of Europe**

The Bureau took note of the letter by the President of the Assembly of Kosovo informing the President of the Assembly of the names of the members of the delegation of the Assembly of Kosovo for the 2022 ordinary session and approved the list of the delegation.

Members:

- Ms Saranda Bogujevci, Self-Determination Movement, Head of Delegation
- Mr Arben Gashi, Democratic League of Kosovo
- Mr Enis Kervan, Parliamentary Group "Multiethnic"

Substitutes:

- Ms Ariana Musliu-Shoshi, Democratic Party of Kosovo
- Mr Besnik Tahiri, Alliance for the Future of Kosovo
- Mr Igor Simič, The Serb list

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

## **2. Other decisions by the Bureau**

### **2.1. First part-session of 2022 (Strasbourg, 24-28 January)**

#### *2.1.1. Request for a debate under urgent procedure*

The Bureau took note of the request to hold a debate on *Beating Covid-19 with public health measures*, tabled by the five political groups, decided to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate, and to refer the matter to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development.

#### *2.1.2. Request for a current affairs debate*

The Bureau took note of the request to hold a debate on *Recent challenges to security in Europe: what role for the Council of Europe?*, tabled by the five political groups, and decided to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate, and to appoint Mr Zolt Németh (Hungary, EC/DA) as first speaker in the debate.

#### *2.1.3. Draft agenda*

The Bureau updated the draft agenda, advancing the opening of the first part-session at 10.30 am.

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1. Throughout this text, all reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

**2.1.4. Election of a judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Poland**

The Bureau took note of the report drawn up by the Committee on the election of judges for the post of a judge in respect of Poland, including its recommendation to reject the list, subject to ratification by the Assembly in the Progress report ([Doc. 15439 Addendum 2](#)).

**2.2. Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and of the Standing Committee (from 30 September 2021 to 21 January 2022)**

The Bureau approved the Progress report ([Doc. 15439](#)).

**2.3. Election observation**

**2.3.1. Bulgaria: presidential and early parliamentary elections (14 November 2021)**

The Bureau approved the report of the ad hoc committee.

**2.3.2. Kyrgyzstan: parliamentary elections (28 November 2021)**

The Bureau approved the report of the ad hoc committee.

**2.4. 2022 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize**

The Bureau took note of a memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly and, following a vote, appointed Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland) as member of the Selection Panel for a two-year mandate starting on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022. The Bureau also took note of the press release of the launch of the 2022 edition of the Prize.

**2.5. Communications**

The Bureau took note of the communication by the President of the Assembly, the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe. It held an exchange of views with the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe.

**Appendix – Candidatures Vice-Presidents of the Assembly for 2022**

<b>GROUPS / GROUPE</b>	<b>COUNTRY / PAYS</b>	<b>CANDIDATURES</b>
GROUP I / GROUPE I	France	Ms Nicole TRISSE
	Germany / Allemagne	Mr Armin LASCHET
	Italy / Italie	Ms Marta GRANDE
	Russian Federation / Fédération de Russie	Mr Petr TOLSTOI
	Turkey / Turquie	Mr Ahmet YILDIZ
	United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni	Mr John HOWELL
GROUP II / GROUPE II	Poland / Pologne	Mr Arkadiusz MULARCZYK
	Spain / Espagne	Mr Antonio GUTIÉRREZ LIMONES
GROUP III / GROUPE III	Greece / Grèce	Ms Theodora BAKOYANNIS
	Hungary / Hongrie	Mr Zsolt NÉMETH
	Republic of Moldova / République de Moldova	Mr Mihail POPȘOI
	Netherlands / Pays-Bas	Ms Ria OOMEN-RUIJTEN
	Norway / Norvège	Ms Ingjerd SCHOU
	Portugal	Vacant seat / siège vacant
	Romania / Roumanie	Mr Ionuț-Marian STROE
	Serbia / Serbie	Ms Elvira KOVÁCS
GROUP IV / GROUPE IV	Malta / Malte	Mr Jonathan ATTARD
	Monaco	Mr José BADIA
	Montenegro / Monténégro	Ms Maja VUKIĆEVIĆ
	North Macedonia / Macédoine du Nord	Mr Darko KAEVSKI