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Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Progress report

Bureau of the Assembly

1. Introduction

The Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights assessed the list of the candidates to the Court in respect of Poland.¹

2. Conclusions of the Committee on the list of candidates submitted by Poland

The Committee recommends to the Assembly to reject the list on substantive grounds as not all candidates fulfil the requirements of Article 21 of the European Convention on Human Rights for election as a judge at the European Court of Human Rights and to request the Government of Poland to submit a new list of candidates.

1. See Appendix 1 for the list of candidates submitted by the Government concerned. The full list and curricula vitae of candidates can be found in Assembly documents: [Doc. 15669](#) (Poland).



Appendix 1 – List of candidates submitted by the Government of Poland

Poland

- Ms Elżbieta KARSKA
- Mr Kamil STRZEPEK
- Ms Agnieszka SZKLANNA

Appendix 2 – Members of the Committee who participated in the meeting²

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

- Mr Corneliu Mugurel COZMANCIUC, Romania
- Ms Biljana PANTIĆ PILJA, Serbia
- Mr Aleksander POCIEJ, Poland
- Mr Volker ULLRICH, Germany
- Mr Vladimir VARDANYAN, Armenia – Third Vice Chairperson
- Mr Sergiy VLASENKO, Ukraine

Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group (SOC)

- Ms Petra BAYR, Austria
- Ms Margreet de BOER, Netherlands
- Ms Klotilda BUSHKA, Albania
- Mr Titus CORLĂȚEAN, Romania – Chairperson
- Mr Constantinos EFSTATHIOU, Cyprus
- Ms Marietta KARAMANLI, France
- Mr Givi MIKANADZE, Georgia

Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE)

- Ms Elena-Simona SPĂȚARU, Romania
- Ms Ingvild Wettrhus THORSVIK, Norway
- Ms Lesia VASYLENKO, Ukraine

European Conservatives Group & Democratic Alliance (EC/DA)

- Lord David BLENCAHRA, United Kingdom
- Lord Richard KEEN, United Kingdom
- Mr Arkadiusz MULARCZYK, Poland

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL)

- Mr George KATROUGALOS, Greece

Ex officio members

- Mr Damien COTTIER, Switzerland – Chairperson of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly

- Ms Despina CHATZIVASSILIOU-TSOVILIS, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly
- Mr Mark NEVILLE, Director of Committees – Democracy and Rule of Law
- Mr Günter SCHIRMER, Head of the Secretariat

2. Not all members of the Committee participated in the vote.

- Mr Guillem CANO-PALOMARES, Deputy to the Head of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights Secretariat