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## **Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights**

## Draft Agenda<sup>1</sup>

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# for the meeting to be held in a hybrid manner on 14 September 2021 from 9.30am – 1pm and from 2.30pm – 6pm CEST

(Strasbourg, Palais de l'Europe, Room 9 – for those attending in person)

#### 1. Agenda

[AS/Jur (2021) OJ 08 Rev 2]

Adoption of the agenda

#### 2. Minutes

[AS/Jur (2021) PV 07]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in a hybrid manner in Strasbourg from 21 - 22 June 2021

#### 3. Appointment of representative of the Committee

Re-appointment of member to represent the Committee at meetings of Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) following the departure from the Assembly of the titular representative, Ms Marta González (Spain, EPP/CD)

#### 4. Appointment of rapporteurs

[Appointment procedure document Rapporteur table

Doc. 15289 Doc. 15130 Doc. 15319

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#### For consultation:

Transnational repression as a growing threat to the rule of law and human rights

## For opinion:

Call for an inclusive national political process in Belarus

(Opinion taking into account the motion for a resolution <u>Doc. 15319</u>: "Belarus state terrorism as a threat to the whole European continent")

Rapporteur for the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Mr Kimmo Kiljunen, Finland, SOC

# 5. The continuing need to restore human rights and the rule of law in the North Caucasus region

Rapporteur: Mr Frank Schwabe, Germany, SOC

Statement by the Rapporteur

#### Hearing:

## 6. Fighting and preventing excessive and unjustified use of force by the law enforcement officers

(Rapporteur: Mr Oleksandr Merezhko, Ukraine, SOC) [AS/Jur (2021) 04]

Hearing with the participation of:

Mr Nick Glynn, Senior Program Officer, Better Policing, Open Society Initiative for Europe, United Kingdom

Mr David Martín Abánades, Local Police Inspector (Spain)

#### **Exchange of views:**

#### 7. Pegasus spyware and secret state surveillance

[motion for resolution]

Exchange of views with the participation of:

Ms Michelle Bachelet, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (pre-recorded statement)

Mr Laurent Richard, Founder and Executive Director, Forbidden Stories

Ms Tamar Kaldani, Vice-chairperson, Consultative Committee of the Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (Convention 108)

Adoption of a motion to be tabled on behalf of the Committee

#### **Hearing:**

### 8. Ending enforced disappearances on the territory of the Council of Europe

(Rapporteur: Mr André Gattolin, France, ALDE) [AS/Jur (2019) 49]

Hearing with the participation of:

Professor Emmanuel Decaux, President of the René Cassin Foundation, former President of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, France

Mr Ewoud Plate, Euro-Mediterranean Federation Against Enforced Disappearances (FEMED) secretariat, Netherlands

#### Hearing:

#### 9. Draft Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime on enhanced cooperation and disclosure of electronic evidence

Rapporteur: Mr Kamal Jafarov, Azerbaijan, EC/DA

[<u>Doc. 15316</u> Rev AS/Jur (2021) 18]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum and hearing with the participation of:

Mr Alexander Seger, Executive Secretary, Cybercrime Convention Committee, Council of Europe Ms. Cristina Schulman, Romania, Chair of the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) Ms Katitza Rodriguez, Policy Director for Global Privacy, Electronic Frontier Foundation, USA.

#### **Hearing:**

#### Misuse of the Schengen system by Council of Europe member States as a politicallymotivated sanction

(Rapporteur: Ms Irina Rukavishnikova, Russian Federation, NR) [AS/Jur (2021) 14]

Consideration of a revised introductory memorandum and hearing with the participation of:

Ms Evelien Brouwer, Senior Researcher, Amsterdam Centre for Migration and Refugee Law, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Ms Nuala Mole, Founder and Senior Lawyer of the Advice on Individual Rights in Europe Center, London

Mr Vyacheslav A. Postavnin, Expert on Migration, Head of the Center for Analytical and Practical Research on Migration (The Scientific Center for Eurasian Integration), Russian Federation

## 11. World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 8-10 November 2021): Can Democracy Save the Environment

[Programme

https://www.coe.int/en/web/world-forum-democracy]

Proposal of members to the ad hoc committee of the Bureau attending the World Forum on Democracy on 8-10 November 2021 in Strasbourg (if the sanitary situation allows)

#### 12. Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc

Report by the following representative:

127<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Venice Commission (2-3 July 2021): Mr Constantinos Efstathiou, Cyprus, SOC

Statement by Ms Alexandra Louis (France, ALDE), rapporteur for follow up on restrictions on NGO activities

# 13. Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the Committee

[AS/Jur (2021) 15, <u>Doc. 15341</u> AS/Jur (2021) 16, <u>Doc. 15342</u>

Reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 2187 (2020): Legal aspects of "autonomous" vehicles

Reply by the Committee of Ministers to Recommendation 2188 (2020): The principles and guarantees of advocates

#### 14. Hearings during the next meeting

#### 15. Other business

- Sub-committee appointments

#### 16. **Next meetings**

Plenary Committee:

- during the Assembly's  $4^{\text{th}}$  part-session of 2021 (27 September 1 October 2021) 5 November 2021, t.b.c.
- 7 December 2021, t.b.c.