First part of the 2020 Ordinary Session
(27-31 January 2020)

Agenda¹

¹ Adopted by the Assembly on 27 January 2020.
Abbreviations

Bur: Bureau of the Assembly
Per: Standing Committee
Pol: Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy
Jur: Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights
Soc: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development
Mig: Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons
Cult: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media
Ega: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination
Mon: Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)
Pro: Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs
Cdh: Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party
SOC: Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group
EC/DA: European Conservatives Group and Democratic Alliance
ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
UEL: Group of the Unified European Left
NR: Representatives not belonging to a political group

Symbols

- Presentation, statement
- Deadline for tabling documents
- Lists (speakers, questions)
- Votes

Meetings outside the Chamber

Joint Committee
Thursday: 13:00-14:00

Bureau of the Assembly
Monday: 08:00-09:30
Friday: 08:30-10:00

Committees
Monday: 14:00-15:00
Tuesday: 08:30-10:00
Tuesday: 14:00-15:30
Wednesday: 14:00-15:30
Thursday: 08:30-10:00
Thursday: 14:00-15:30

Political groups
Monday: 09:30-11:30
Monday: 17:00-19:00
Wednesday: 08:30-10:00
Monday 27 January 2020

Sitting No. 1 (11:30-13:00)

1. Opening of the part-session
   1.1. Examination of credentials
       □ List of delegations:
           o (Doc. 15039 rev)
   1.2. Election of the President of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2020) 03)
   1.3. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2020) 01)
   1.4. Appointment of members of committees (Commissions (2020) 01 rev + Add. 1)
   1.5. Request(s) for current affairs debate or debate under urgent procedure
       1.5.1. Current affairs debate: “Recent developments in Libya and in the Middle East: what consequences for Europe?”
       1.5.2. Current affairs debate: “What to do best to help Turkey to get again in line with Council of Europe core values and standards?”
       1.5.3. Urgent procedure debate: “International obligations concerning the repatriation of children from war and conflict zones”
       1.5.4. Urgent procedure debate: “Widespread recurring violence against security, fire & medical services on New Year’s Eve”
       1.5.5. Urgent procedure debate: “The Russian Federation and the lack of democracy in the political process”
   1.6. Adoption of the agenda
   1.7. Approval of the minutes of the Standing Committee (Strasbourg, 29 November 2019) (AS/Per (2019) PV 03)

2. Debate
   2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
       □ Presentation by:
           o Mr Tiny KOX (Netherlands, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 15036, Doc. 15036 Add. 2, Doc. 15038, Doc. 15036 Add. 1)
   2.2. Observation of the early parliamentary elections in Belarus (17 November 2019)
       □ Presentation by:
           o Lord David BLENCAThRA (United Kingdom, EC/DA), Rapporteur (Doc. 15012)
       ♦ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 10:00)

Sitting No. 2 (15:00-17:00)

3. Election (15:00-17:00)
   3.1. Election of a Vice-President of the Assembly in respect of the Russian Federation

4. Debate (continued)
   4.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
   4.2. Observation of the early parliamentary elections in Belarus (17 November 2019)
       ♦ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 10:00)
       ♦ [possibly] Vote
5. **Address** *(16:00-17:00)*

5.1. **Communication from the Committee of Ministers**

☐ Presentation by:

- Mr David ZALKALIANI, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia, President of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe

Questions (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 12:00)
Tuesday 28 January 2020

Sitting No. 3 (10:00-13:00)

6. Election (10:00-13:00)
   6.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights
   □ List of candidates in respect of:
         o France (Doc. 15008, Doc. 15036 Add. 2)

7. [Possibly 2nd round] Election (10:00-13:00)
   7.1. Election of a Vice-President of the Assembly in respect of the Russian Federation

8. Debate
   8.1. The functioning of democratic institutions in Poland
   □ Presentation by:
         o Ms Azadeh ROJHAN GUSTAFSSON (Sweden, SOC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon
           (Doc. 15025, Doc. 15025 Add.)
         o Mr Pieter OMTZIGT (Netherlands, EPP/CD), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon
           (Doc. 15025, Doc. 15025 Add.)

   ☐ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
   ☐ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)

9. Address (12:00-13:00)
   9.1. Ms Salome ZOURABICHVILI, President of Georgia
   □ Speech (12:00-12:20)
   □ Questions and replies (12:20-13:00)
   ☐ Questions

Sitting No. 4 (15:30-20:30)

10. Election (continued) (15:30-17:00)
    10.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

11. [Possibly 2nd round] Election (continued) (15:30-17:00)
    11.1. Election of a Vice-President of the Assembly in respect of the Russian Federation

12. Debate (continued)
    12.1. The functioning of democratic institutions in Poland
    ☐ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
    ☐ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15025)

13. Debate
    13.1. Threats to media freedom and journalists’ security in Europe
    □ Presentation by:
         o Lord George FOULKES (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 15021)
    ☐ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 12:00)
    ☐ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
    ☐ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15021)
Sitting No. 5 (10:00-13:00)

14. [Possibly 2nd round] Election (10:00-13:00)
   14.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

15. Debate
   15.1. The protection of freedom of religion or belief in the workplace
       □ Presentation by:
         o Mr Davor Ivo STIER (Croatia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 15015)
       © List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 19:30)
       © Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 28 January, 10:30)
       ☑ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15015)

16. Address (12:00-13:00)
   16.1. Mr Igor DODON, President of the Republic of Moldova
         Speech (12:00-12:20)
         Questions and replies (12:20-13:00)
       ☑ Questions

Sitting No. 6 (15:30-20:30)

17. [Possibly 2nd round] Election (continued) (15:30-17:00)
   17.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

18. Address (15:30-16:30)
   18.1. Communication from the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
       □ Presentation by:
         o Ms Marija PEJČINOVIĆ BURIĆ
       © Questions

19. Debate
   19.1. 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
       □ Presentation by:
         o Mr Frank SCHWABE (Germany, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 15024)
       © List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 12:00)
       © Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 28 January, 16:00)
       ☑ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15024)
20. Debate

20.1. Challenge, on substantive grounds, of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of the Russian Federation

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Tiny KOX (Netherlands, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 15050)
  - Mr Alvise MANIERO (Italy, NR), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Pro (Doc. 15054)

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15050)

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2. According to Rule 8.3 of the Assembly’s Rules of Procedure
Thursday 30 January 2020

Sitting No. 7 (10:00-13:00)

21. Debate under urgent procedure
   21.1. International obligations concerning the repatriation of children from war and conflict zones
   - Presentation by:
     - Mr Stefan SCHENNACH (Austria, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 15055)
   - Statement by:
     - Ms Dunja MIJATOVIĆ, Commissioner for Human Rights
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 19:30)
   - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:00)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15055)

22. Debate
   22.1. Reported cases of political prisoners in Azerbaijan
   - Presentation by:
     - Ms Thorhildur Sunna ÆVARSDÓTTIR (Iceland, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 15020)
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 19:30)
   - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 10:30)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15020)

Sitting No. 8 (15:30-20:30)

23. Current affairs debate
   23.1. Recent developments in Libya and in the Middle East: what consequences for Europe?
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 11:00)

24. Joint debate
   24.1. Concerted action against human trafficking and the smuggling of migrants
   - Presentation by:
     - Mr Vernon COAKER (United Kingdom), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 15023)
     - Ms Isabelle RAUCH (France, ALDE), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Ega (Doc. 15051)
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 12:00)
   - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:00)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15023)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15026)

24.2. Missing refugee and migrant children in Europe
   - Presentation by:
     - Ms Serap YAŞAR (Turkey, NR), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 15026)
     - Lord Don TOUHIG (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Soc (Doc. 15032)
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 12:00)
   - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:00)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15023)
   - Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 15026)

25. Debate
   25.1. The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January-December 2019)
   - Presentation by:
     - Sir Roger GALE (United Kingdom, EC/DA), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 15031)
   - List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 12:00)
   - Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:00)
   - Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15031)
26. Debate
   26.1. Democracy hacked? How to respond?
      □ Presentation by:
         o Mr Frithjof SCHMIDT (Germany, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 15028)
         o Mr Emanuelis ZINGERIS (Lithuania, EPP/CD), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Jur (Doc. 15056)

          ▶ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 19:30)
          ✔ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 30 January, 10:30)
          ✔ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15028)

27. Joint debate
   27.1. Organ transplant tourism
      □ Presentation by:
         o Mr Stefan SCHENNACH (Austria, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 15029)

   27.2. Combating trafficking in human tissues and cells
      □ Presentation by:
         o Ms Reina de BRUIJN-WEZEMAN (Netherlands, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 15022)

          ▶ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 19:30)
          ✔ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 30 January, 10:30)
          ✔ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 15029)
          ✔ Vote on a draft recommendation (Doc. 15022)

28. Progress report
   28.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee (continued)
      □ Addendum:
         o (Doc. 15036 Add. 3)

29. Constitution of the Standing Committee

30. Closure of the part-session