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MEETING

Tuesday, 28 November 2006

at 16.15 - 17.15

Room A5G-2

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Brussels, 22 September 2006
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Mrs Juknevičienė opened the meeting at 1620hrs.

1. Adoption of draft agenda (PE 381.124)

The draft agenda was adopted without amendment.

2. Adoption of minutes of the meeting on 13 September 2006 (PE 378.974)

The minutes were adopted without amendment.

3. Chairperson's announcements

Mrs Juknevičienė announced that the issue of water management in Kazakhstan was no longer on the agenda as the Kazakh speaker, Mr Rakhmetov, was unable to attend.

She gave details of her meeting that morning with Mrs Rebiya Kadeer, an Uighur activist who had originally come from Xinjiang province in China. Mrs Kadeer had informed her that there were one million Uighurs in Central Asia and that their human rights were not being fully respected. A number of Uighurs who were originally from China and had gone to Central Asia had been deported back to China.

Mrs Juknevičienė also announced that President Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan would visit the European Parliament on 6 December.

4. Presentation of the draft programme of delegation activity for 2007

Mrs Juknevičienė presented the draft calendar for 2007, noting that it remained to be approved by the Conference of Presidents. She explained that the judgement about which countries to visit had been done on the basis of political priorities.

Mrs Bourzai stressed that during the visit to Uzbekistan it was important to meet with NGOs. She welcomed the proposal to visit Mongolia and spoke of her recent meeting with Ambassador Onon who had stressed the desirability of a European Parliament resolution congratulating Mongolia on its 800 years of statehood.

Mr Callanan also welcomed the proposals. He too stressed the need to meet with NGOs in Uzbekistan and to maintain the request to go to Andijan or - if this was refused - to go to the east of the country where a prison camp held many political prisoners. He referred to a book by Craig Murray, the former British ambassador to Uzbekistan, which outlined his experience. He proposed that Mr Murray be invited to a future delegation meeting.

Mrs Juknevičienė stressed the need for thorough preparation for the visit to Uzbekistan. She noted that there were no proposals to visit two countries at the same time on this occasion. She agreed with Mrs Bourzai that it was important to pay attention to Mongolia which had experienced progress in the post-Soviet era. She acknowledged the strong desire of the Mongolian side for a resolution from the European Parliament on the occasion of its 800 years of statehood.

Mr Maat noted that he could not travel to Mongolia in September and asked for the visit to be postponed until w/c 1 October.

Mr Callanan expressed his dissatisfaction at the restrictions on delegation travel in political group weeks. Mrs Juknevičienė agreed and stressed that she would continue to raise the matter, noting that it had been raised at the last meeting of Delegation chairs.

5. Water management in Kazakhstan

This item was not discussed.

6. Any other business

Mrs Juknevičienė noted that a cultural event would take place on 6 December in the Commission to celebrate Mongolia's 800 years of statehood. She also announced that there a hearing on "Gender Equality in Uzbekistan" sponsored by Mrs Jeggle was scheduled to take place on December 4 in the European Parliament.

7. Date and place of next meeting

Mrs JUKNEVIČIENĖ announced that the next meeting would take place on 23 January 2007 at 15.00hrs in Brussels.

The meeting closed at 17.15 hours.

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Til stede	Formandskabet/Vorstand/Προεδρείο/Bureau/Ufficio di Presidenza/Mesa/Puhemiehistö/J.L. Presidium: (*) JUKNEVICIENE (P), MAAT (VP), Ms BOURZAI Bernadette (2VP)
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