

*Delegation for relations with the Palestinian Legislative Council***DPLC\_PV20130424\_1****MINUTES**  
of the meeting of 24 April 2013, from 11.30 to 12.30  
Brussels

The meeting opened at 11.30 on 2 April 2013, with the Chair, Emer Costello, in the chair.

The Chair welcomed the speaker for that day, Andreas Reinicke.

**1. Adoption of the draft agenda (PE505.097)**

The draft agenda was adopted.

**2. Chair's announcements**

The Chair made the following announcements:

- She informed members about problems delegations would come up against when organising meetings in the future, notably concerning interpreting, as priority was being given to legislative committees. Delegations were being asked to meet on Thursday afternoons.
- She spoke about the peace process, blocked once again by both sides' objections to the preconditions.
- She confirmed that the working party visiting the West Bank and East Jerusalem would be made up of five members. They would start their work during the international conference on Palestinian prisoners planned for 27-28 April in Ramallah.

**3. Exchange of views with Andreas Reinicke, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process**

The Special Representative started with various preliminary points:

- His mandat was to present the EU's positions to the outside world. He cooperated closely with the main parties involved, e.g. the United States and the Quartet.
- Keeping the peace process on the political agenda, in the face of new challenges linked to the Arab Spring, had been the main challenge in 2012. He believed the Americans were serious about their involvement, as evidenced by visits by President Obama and the Secretary of State (on three occasions).
- The climate for negotiations had to be maintained: by watching in particular over major issues such as the economy, the Israeli settlements and Palestinian dealings with the UN.
- The EU was playing an active role: notably on defining land (Area C, goods from Israeli settlements, the territorial clause), security (see the various forces involved in peacekeeping or training, talks with Iran, etc.) and economic aspects (private sector, industrial areas).

Members' comments confirmed their worries and the questions that clearly remained unanswered.

Margrete Auken on Area C and Gaza; Krisztina Morvai on Israeli violations of international agreements or the EU-Israel Association Agreement; Georgios Toussas on the dangers of unrest in the region as a whole, etc.

Andreas Reinicke felt that the EU was playing its role as well as possible within the constraints of the political-legal reality. Unanimity was needed for all the EU's official positions, which led to what some people sometimes judged to be 'unsatisfactory' compromises.

He recalled the EU's leading role in recent history, drawing attention to sensitive issues.

He stressed the sensitive nature of relations with the United States and said that not all the possibilities, such as the Arab Peace Initiative, had really been explored.

The Chair spoke of the visit by the delegation working party to the West Bank/East Jerusalem from 27 April to 2 May 2013.

The Chair thanked Ambassador Reinicke for a very useful exchange of views.

#### **4. Date and place of next meeting**

29 May 2013

The meeting ended at 12.40.

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Andreas Reinicke

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