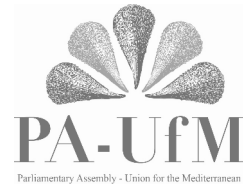




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*Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean*

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**MINUTES**  
of the meeting of 5 February 2014, 17.30-19.00  
Strasbourg

The meeting opened at 17.30 on Wednesday, 5 February 2014 with the President of the European Parliament, Martin Schulz (Chair), in the chair.

**1. Adoption of draft agenda (PE 527.013)**The agenda was adopted.

**2. Approval of the minutes of 9 October 2013 (PE 514.040)**

The minutes were approved.

**3. Chair's announcements**

The Chair announced that he would be visiting Jordan, Israel and Palestine the following week and would meet with the authorities, visit Yad Vashem and address students and the Knesset. He would also meet with former members of the Middle East-EU Young Leaders Forum to relaunch the Young Leaders Network.

Mr Rubig asked the President to raise the issue of Iran. Mr Triantaphyllides hoped that he would urge Israel to facilitate the proposed visit to Gaza by the Delegation for Relations with the Palestinian Legislative Council.

**4. Results of the meetings of the Bureau and Enlarged Bureau of 11 January 2014, in Amman (report by Vice-Chair Isabelle Durant) and preparations for the plenary session (Dead Sea, 8-9 February 2014)**

Ms Durant informed the meeting of the decisions reached at the Bureau's last meeting: the PA-UfM plenary session would focus on Syrian refugees and the peace process. Information

missions had already been sent to Lebanon and Turkey to assess the situation of Syrian refugees and would report back to plenary.

The committee Bureaux would be renewed for two years (the European Parliament would retain the Political Committee and the Working Party on the Rules of Procedure). The Assembly's budgetary calendar would be amended and its rules of procedure simplified. The 2013 budget would become the budget for 2014. Due to the fact that the PA-UfM Secretariat premises in Brussels have been underused by the Bureau Members (with the exception of the EP and a Jordanian colleague), the EP would cancel its lease.

Looking ahead to the PA-UfM plenary session, Ms Kratsa outlined the progress made in preparation for the Committee on Political Affairs, on behalf of Ms Saïfi, the Committee on Women's Affairs, on behalf of Mr Silvestris, and the Committee on Energy on behalf of Ms Parvanova. Ms Ayala spoke on behalf of the Committee on Economic Affairs and Ms Durant on behalf of the Working Group on the Rules of Procedure. Ms Benarab-Attou was not present to report on the work of the Committee on Culture.

## **5. Exchange of views on the new Tunisian constitution, in the presence of Gianni Buquicchio, President of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe**

Mr Buquicchio described the birth of the new Tunisian constitution: after three years in the making and setbacks caused by political attacks, the final product was of high quality.. 'The Constitution has been taken to heart by the Tunisian people'.

Its innovative aspects included the definition of Tunisia as a civil state, the identification of Islam as the religion of Tunisia, not of the state, firmly-anchored fundamental rights, gender equality and freedom of religion and conscience. It enshrined a semi-presidential system and, for the first time, allowed for a constitutional court and the guarantee of an independent judicial system. It would come into force gradually with the progressive introduction of the implementing legislation. The electoral law was to be adopted in the coming months and elections would take place before the end of the year.

The Members agreed that it was a positive development: a decisive stage in Tunisia's transition to democracy and an example to the region. They also agreed on the need to provide Tunisia with solid financial support so that its economy could recover. They also noted that a delegation from the Constituent Assembly of Tunisia, led by its president Mustapha Ben Jafar, would be visiting the EP in Brussels on 12-13 February and called for it to be accorded a proper welcome

Ms Durant would represent President Schulz at the constitutional ceremony on 7 February 2014 in Tunis.

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

Strasbourg, to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 19.00.

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