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**MINUTES**  
of the constituent meeting of 30 September 2009, from 12.00 to 12.45h  
**BRUSSELS**

The meeting opened at 12.07 h on Wednesday, 30 September 2009, with M. Thomas MANN (D, EPP) in the chair.

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## **1. Opening of meeting chaired by the member provisionally holding the chair**

M. Thomas MANN declared the meeting open and reminded Members of the purpose of the meeting: the constitution of the delegation Bureau by the election of the chair and two vice-chairs in accordance with Rules 191 and 198 of the Rules of Procedure.

## **2. Election of chairman**

M. MANN ensured that the quorum was met and called for nominations.

M. Yannick JADOT group proposed as a candidate Ms Jean LAMBERT (UK, Greens/ALE) in the name of the group.

Ms LAMBERT accepted the nomination; it was further certified that the candidate had duly completed her declaration of financial interests. Since there were no other candidates, M. MANN declared Ms LAMBERT elected by acclamation.

Ms LAMBERT took the Chair.

## **3. Election of vice-chairmen**

Ms. LAMBERT called for nominations for the post of 1st Vice-Chair.

Ms Birgit SIPPEL proposed as a candidate M. John ATTARD-MONTALTO (MT, S&D) in the name of the group.

M. ATTARD-MONTALTO accepted the nomination; it was further certified that the candidate had duly completed his declaration of financial interests. Since there were no other candidates, Ms LAMBERT declared M. ATTARD-MONTALTO elected by acclamation and invited him to take his place in the podium.

Ms. LAMBERT called for nominations for the post of 2nd Vice-Chair.

M. Lambert Van NISTELROOIJ proposed as a candidate M. Thomas MANN (D, EPP) in the name of the group.

M Thomas MANN (D, EPP) accepted the nomination; it was further certified that the candidate had duly completed his declaration of financial interests. Since there were no other candidates, Ms LAMBERT declared M. MANN elected by acclamation and invited him to take his place in the podium.

## **4. Communications by the Chair**

Having thanked Members for her election and informed them of the background documents prepared by the Secretariat, the Chair raised rapidly the following points:

The 2010 programme is scheduled to be adopted by the Conference of Presidents on Wednesday 25 November; by then, the Delegation will have had the opportunity to discuss more deeply which countries should constitute priorities during next year, possibly in presence of the Desk Officers of the EC and/or representatives of the Embassies concerned.

Ms LAMBERT however already indicated that:

- The last IPM with MPs from Bangladesh took place in 2003 ; from this point of view, holding a meeting in Dhaka with the MPs that were elected in December 2008, after 2 years of care-taker rule, could be a priority during 2010. Since the DEVE Committee plans to organise a mission to Dhaka this November in order to focus on the challenge of Climate Change, with the possible participation of the Bureau of the Delegation, this opportunity could be used for preparatory talks.
- Nepal seems to be in political turmoil once again, with the fragility of the peace process becoming apparent after the resignation of Maoist Prime Minister Prachanda after his inability to sack the Chief of the Army Staff. Little progress has since taken place over the integration of former Maoist fighters (who are still remaining in cantonments under UN supervision) with the regular Nepali Army -- and there are fears that this could derail the whole peace process. At the same time, it is becoming more probable every day that the deadline of November 2010, in order to draft a new Constitution that will institutionalise the federal democratic republic - and hold fresh elections - will be missed. Since the last IPM was held in 2008, and normally Nepali MPs should have visited us this year, the country could be seen as a priority in 2010.
- EU relations with Sri Lanka, which was last visited in July 2008, will probably be conditioned, to a large extent, by the renewal -or not- of GSP+ status for the country. An investigation, with which the Sri Lankan government has consistently refused to cooperate, arguing it is perceived as an infringement of national sovereignty, is currently underway by the European Commission in order to assess whether Sri Lanka has effectively implemented 3 core UN Human Rights Conventions.

Members were also informed that the EP's own Human Rights Sub-Committee is organising a Hearing on the situation in Sri Lanka on October 1st.

- An IPM was held in Pakistan in early 2009; from this point of view, we would be expecting Pakistani Members of the National Assembly to visit us, in Brussels or Strasbourg, in 2010. A visit of the Bureau could however take place during next year in Islamabad, depending on the security situation.

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

The next regular meeting of the Delegation will take place on 19 November, 11:30, in Brussels. The agenda will be sent electronically.

The meeting closed at 12.39h.

**ПРИСЪСТВЕН ЛИСТ/LISTA DE ASISTENCIA/PREZENČNÍ LISTINA/DELTAGERLISTE/  
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| Deepak Dhital (Nepal Embassy), A. Dayaratna Silva (Sri Lanka Embassy), Madhuka Lideramerschchi (Sri Lanka), Ahmed Nasir<br>(Maldives Mission), Moazzam Shah (first Secretary Pakistan Embassy), Mohammad Aslam (Counselor Pakistan Embassy)                                      |

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