



ACP-EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

08.11.2010

**20<sup>th</sup> SESSION**

**2 to 4 December 2010**

**KINSHASA (Democratic Republic of Congo)**

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**DRAFT AGENDA**

**and WORK PROGRAMME**

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1. **Deadline for tabling questions to the Council and Commission**

- **Friday 15 October at noon**

2. **Deadline for tabling urgent motions for resolutions**

- **Friday 22 October at 11 a.m.**

3. **Deadline for tabling compromise motions for resolutions**

- **Thursday 2 December at 3 p.m.**

4. **Deadline for tabling amendments**

to the motions for resolution included in the reports submitted by the standing committees

- **Thursday 2 December at noon**

to compromise resolutions and other urgent motions for resolution to be put to the vote

- **Friday 3 December at noon**

5. **Requests relating to voting methods (votes on separate parts of the text, by secret ballot, by separate houses)**

- **Saturday 4 December at 10 a.m. in writing**

6. **Limitation of speaking time** (cf. Article 14(2) of the Rules of Procedure)

**5 minutes for introductory statements**

**3 minutes for speakers in debates** (unless speaking time is allocated differently on the basis of a division of the total time available)

**2 minutes for winding up**

**Other meetings**

**SATURDAY 27 to MONDAY 29 November**

ACP meetings

**TUESDAY 30 November**

8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

Women's Forum

10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

**Meeting of the Committee on Political Affairs**

2.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

(simultaneously)

**Meeting of the Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade**

**Meeting of the Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment**

**WEDNESDAY 1 December**

8.00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Workshops:**

1. Challenges and threats to regional stability in the Central African Region arising from the illegal exploitation of natural and mineral resources in the DRC
2. The challenge of reconstruction of post-conflict states: the case of the DRC

2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

**Meeting of Working Group on Reform of Working Methods**

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

**Meeting of the Bureau**

## **THURSDAY 2 December**

8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

### **Conciliation meetings on urgent motions for resolution**

11.00 a.m.

## **Formal opening sitting of the 20th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly**

List of speakers (tbc):

- H.E. André Kimbuta, Governor of Kinshasa
- H.E. Evariste Boshab, Speaker of National Assembly, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Mr David Matongo, Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Mr Louis Michel, Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- H.E Joseph Kabila Kabange, President, Democratic Republic of Congo

Presentation of Jean Rey International Prize

1.00 p.m.

### **Press Conference in Plenary Hall**

3.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

## **Sitting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly**

### **Constituent meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly and accreditation of non-parliamentary representatives**

1. **Adoption of draft agenda**
2. **Approval of the minutes** of the 19th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (OJ C 193, 16 July 2010)
3. **Co-Presidents' Announcements** including decisions taken at Bureau meeting of 1 December
4. **Statement by Mr Andris Piebalgs**, Member of the Commission with special responsibility for development
5. **Question Time to the Commission**
6. **Action taken by the Commission** on the resolutions adopted at the 19th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly, held in Tenerife (Spain)

7. **Debate with the Commission** - catch-the-eye

*possibly Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) - current state of play*  
**Statement by Mr Karel de Gucht, Member of the Commission** with special responsibility for International Trade, followed by debate

8. **The mid-term review and the Country and Regional Strategy Papers for the 10th EDF, including the CSP for the DRC**  
Debate without resolution

9. **Urgent topic No 1: Food Security**

**FRIDAY 3 December**

9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

**Joint debate**

10. **Millennium Development Goals** - Outcome of New York High Level Conference -  
Presentation by Mr Anthony Lake, Director-General, UNICEF

11. **Achieving the MDGs: innovative responses to meet the social and economic challenges**  
Report by Mr Odirile Motlhale (Botswana) and Ms Licia Ronzulli  
Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment

12. **Maternal Mortality**

13. **Report of the economic and social partners**  
Presentation by EESC and regional civil society representatives

14. **Post-Copenhagen: technology transfer, new technologies, and technical capacity-building in the ACP States**  
Report by Ms Marisa Dalrymple Philibert (Jamaica) and Mr Jo Leinen  
Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade

3.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

15. **Free and Independent Media**  
Report by Mr Jean Rodolphe Joazile (Haiti) and Mr Rainer Wieland  
Committee on Political Affairs

16. **The Situation in the DRC and the region of Central Africa**  
Exchange of views with authorities of the DRC

17. **Urgent topic No 2:** The security problem in the Saharo-Sahelian region: terrorism and trafficking in drugs, arms and human beings

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. (possibly)

### **Meeting of the Bureau**

### **SATURDAY 4 December**

9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

18. **Statement by Ms Carolyn Rodrigues-Birket, Minister of Foreign Affairs (Guyana), President-in-Office of the ACP Council**
19. **Statement by Mr Charles Michel, Belgian Minister for Development, President-in-Office of the EU Council (tbc)**
20. **Question Time to the Council**
21. **Debate with the Council - catch-the-eye**
22. *possibly Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) - current state of play*  
**Statement by Mr Karel de Gucht, Member of the Commission with special responsibility for International Trade, followed by debate**
23. **Debate on the situation in individual countries:**  
Madagascar, Somalia, Sudan, Zimbabwe

3.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

24. **Summary reports from the workshops**
25. **Vote** on the motions for resolution included in the reports submitted by the three standing committees
26. **Vote** on the urgent motions for resolution
27. **Any other business**
28. **Date and place** of the 21st session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly

### **Press Point**