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**EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW**  
**(VENICE COMMISSION)**

**4<sup>th</sup> MEETING**  
**OF THE COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS**  
**(Venice, 13 March 2003 at 9 a.m.)**

**DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

**1. Code of good practice/electoral standards**

- The Chairman will inform the Council of the recent work of the Parliamentary Assembly, in particular the adoption of Resolution 1320 (2003) and Recommendation 1595 (2003) (see also document 9682).
- The Representatives of the CLRAE will inform the Council of the recent work of the CLRAE relating to the Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters.
- The Secretariat will inform the Council of activities concerning the distribution and translation of the Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters (CDL-AD (2003) 23).
- The Representatives of the OSCE/ODHIR could inform the Council on progress of work on international electoral standards.

**2. Questionnaire for the observation of elections**

The questionnaire for the observation of elections, drawn up by Mr Casagrande (CLRAE expert) (CDL-EL (2003) 1) will be submitted to the Council for examination with a view to its adoption.

**3. Database**

The Secretariat will inform the Council on projects concerning the electoral database.

**4. E-voting**

The President will inform the Council on the first meeting of the ad-hoc multidisciplinary group of specialists on legal, operational and technical norms on e-voting. The Council will be invited to nominate members to participate in the activities of this group and its sub-groups. The Secretariat of the ad-hoc multidisciplinary group of specialists on legal, operational and technical norms on e-voting is available to reply to any questions.

**5. Future activities**

The Council will be invited to examine the possibility of future activities on the following themes :

- Conclusions to be drawn from the reports on observation
- Reflections on electoral systems

**6. Other business**