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

**1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING  
OF THE WORKING GROUP  
ON ELECTORAL QUESTIONS  
(Venice, 7 March 2002 at 9 a.m.)**

**DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

## **1. Designation of the Working Group**

It is proposed to confirm the Working Group's name "Working Group on Electoral Questions".

## **2. Observers**

The Working Group, composed of representatives from the Venice Commission, the Parliamentary Assembly and the CLRAE, invited the following observers to participate in its work :

- the European Parliament
- the European Commission
- the ODIHR
- the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

The Working Group could examine the possibility of inviting other observers, representatives of governmental or non-governmental organisations.

## **3. Code of Good Conduct in Electoral Matters**

The Working Group is invited to examine the preliminary draft which contains a report and guidelines, drawn up by the Venice Commission Secretariat on the basis of Appendix IV to document 9267, (documents CDL-EL (2002) 1 and 2), with a view to preparing a revised text to be adopted at its next meeting.

## **4. Database**

The Working Group will be informed on the project to create a database on electoral matters. See document CDL-EL (2002) 3.

## **5. Network of liaison officers**

The creation of a database containing first and foremost electoral legislation involves the creation of a network of liaison officers charged with forwarding electoral legislation and with the regular up-dating of the base. The Chairmen of Parliamentary delegations could be invited to nominate liaison officers. The Working Group is invited to reflect on this question.