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Building democratic security in the Mediterranean: common challenges, shared responsibility

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Interpretation: English, French, Arabic

09.30-10.00 Opening session

Mr Gordan Jandroković, Speaker of the Croatian Parliament

Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Ms Marija Pejčinović-Burić, Vice-President of the Croatian Government and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs

Mr Mato Franković, Mayor of Dubrovnik

Ms Sanja Putica, Chairperson of the Croatian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Working sessions:

Moderator: Mr George Loucaides, Chairperson of the ad hoc Sub-Committee

10.00-11.30 Session 1: Challenges to the stability in the Mediterranean

Ms Dragica Roščić, Chairperson of the Croatian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM)

Professor Vlatko Cvrtila, PhD, President of the Croatian Council of Universities and University Colleges of Applied Sciences, Rector of Vern' University, Zagreb

► Open discussion with participation of representatives of parliaments of countries of the MENA region

11.30-13.00 Session 2: Building democratic security, promoting good governance and countering threats to the rule of law

Concept of Democratic Security: Council of Europe contribution

Ms Gabriela Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Council of Europe tools to address threats to the rule of law

Mr Marin Mrčela (Croatia), President of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)

Mr Mario Janeček (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Chairperson of the Council of Europe Committee on Counter-Terrorism (CDCT)

Human Rights protection and deradicalisation: the Moroccan Experience

Mr Driss El Yazami (Morocco), Chairperson of the National Human Rights Council

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- 13.00-14.30 Lunch offered by the Croatian Parliament (*Hotel Excelsior*)
- 14.30-16.15 Session 2 (continued)

Strengthening democratic institutions through constitutional and legal reform

Mr Gianni Buquicchio, President of the Venice Commission

Challenges to democratic transition: The Tunisian Experience

Ms Bochra Bel Haj Hmida MP (Tunisia), Chairperson of the Individual Freedoms and Equality Committee

Partnership for democracy with the Parliamentary Assembly as a platform for interparliamentary co-operation

Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

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- 16.15-16.30 Summing up by Mr George Loucaides, Chairperson of the ad hoc Sub-Committee
- 17.00-18.00 Guided sight-seeing tour (meeting point in front of the hotel)
- 20.00 Dinner hosted by the Mayor of Dubrovnik (Museum of Modern Art Dubrovnik, within walking distance of the hotel)