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Congress delegation heading to Portugal for a post-monitoring visit

Strasbourg, 5 September 2013 - The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe will carry out a post-monitoring visit to Portugal on 6 September 2013. Congress Rapporteurs Devrim Çukur (Turkey, SOC) and Jos Wienen (The Netherlands, EPP/CCE) will examine the follow-up to the Recommendation 323 (2012) on local and regional democracy in this country. The aim of Congress post-monitoring activity is to develop a political dialogue and agree on a roadmap for the implementation of its recommendations.

Meetings are scheduled with the Portuguese Secretary of State of Local Administration, Antonio Leitão Amaro, as well as with the Portuguese delegation to the Congress and representatives of the National Association of Portuguese Municipalities (ANMP).

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