

THE HON. FRANCIS AGIUS ATTENDS THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

The Hon. Francis Agius, MP, leader of the parliamentary delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, is participating in the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe held in Paris on 13th March 2009.

The meeting will be opened by the President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Mr Lluís Maria de Puig, followed by an exchange of views among the parliamentarians on the Assembly's co-operation with its institutional partners in election observation.

Amongst the issues to be debated at this meeting are the better prevention of environment-related health hazards and riots in European cities, reports on mobilising parliaments for Africa's development, women in prison, and promoting the participation of children in decisions concerning them.

The Standing Committee, which acts on behalf of the Assembly between plenary sessions, brings together around 80 parliamentarians from the 47 member states of the Council of Europe.

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