



NATO PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

# MINUTES

OF THE

## PLENARY SITTING

Online

Monday 17 May 2021

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## 1. Opening of the Sitting

The online Spring Session was opened at 16:30 (CEST) on Monday 17 May 2021 with **Gerald E. Connolly (United States)**, President of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, in the chair.

The President declared the Spring Session of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly open.

## 2. Address by Gerald E. Connolly, President of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly

The President addressed the Assembly.

## 3. Address by Mircea Geoana, Deputy Secretary General of NATO, followed by a question and answer period

Mr **Geoana** addressed the Assembly and answered questions from **Attila Mesterhazy** (Hungary), **Marietta Giannakou** (Greece), **Linda Sanchez** (United States), **Karl A. Lamers** (Germany), **Osman Askin Bak** (Turkey), **Adao Silva** (Portugal), **Kerstin-Oudekki Loone** (Estonia), **Theo Francken** (Belgium), **Christian Tybring-Gjedde** (Norway), **Sorin-Dan Moldovan** (Romania), **Utku Cakirozer** (Turkey), **Paolo Formentini** (Italy), **Andrea Giorgio Orsini** (Italy), **Irakli Beraia** (Georgia), **Yehor Cherniev** (Ukraine).

The President thanked Mr Geoana.

## 4. Vote on the draft Amendment to the Rules of Procedure [067 SESP 21 E]

The draft Amendment to the Rules of Procedure [067 SESA 21 E] was adopted.

**Karin Enström**, Head of the Swedish Delegation, addressed the Assembly.

## 5. Presentation by Wolfgang HELLMICH (Germany), Treasurer of the Assembly, followed by a vote on the following documents:

- [077 FIN 21 E] Abridged Version of the 2020 Audited Financial Statements
- [029 FIN 21 E bis] 2020 Audited Provident Fund Financial Statements
- [042 FIN 21 E rev. 1] Treasurer's report –Proposal for the Allocation of the 2020 Surplus and the Current Financial Year
- [046 FIN 21 E bis] Draft amendment to the Assembly's Financial Regulations

The Treasurer addressed the Assembly.

The Documents [077 FIN 21 E], [029 FIN 21 E bis], [042 FIN 21 E rev. 1] and [046 FIN 21 E bis] were adopted.

The President thanked the Treasurer.

## **6. Closure of the Session**

**The President** thanked the Swedish delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, the Government of Sweden, and the NATO PA secretariat for their work in facilitating the holding of the 2021 Spring Session.

**Adao Silva** (Portugal) addressed the Assembly, and a welcoming video for the Assembly's 2021 Annual Session was shown.

**The meeting closed at 18:30 (CEST).**

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