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Draft agenda

1. **Adoption of the agenda**
2. **Approval of the summary record of the Committee's virtual session held during the 142nd IPU Assembly (April/May 2021)**
3. **Expert hearing on the theme *Rethinking and reframing the approach to peace processes with a view to fostering lasting peace***

New and ongoing peace processes will determine regional and global security for many years to come while, worryingly, a significant percentage of these agreements fail soon after they are signed or are not being implemented at all. Although the nature of conflict has been changing, the approach that has regulated the way conflicts are resolved has not evolved significantly over the last 50 years. The Committee will hold an expert hearing to share opinions on how parliaments can collectively establish a new frame of reference that would serve as a basis for moral and ethical peace processes and set standards of greater accountability and long-term oversight to guide their implementation. During the hearing, the concepts of human security and traditional security will be presented to participants, who will examine ways to establish a valuable framework for building thriving, stable and inclusive societies by identifying the best aspects of each of the concepts mentioned. The co-Rapporteurs will draw on the hearing and the subsequent debate as they write the first draft of a resolution on the topic that will be tabled at the 144th IPU Assembly.

4. **Panel discussion on the theme *Parliament's role in addressing the risks of diversion in arms transfers***

The diversion of conventional arms to unauthorized end users and their subsequent use pose a significant threat to societies around the globe. Diversion undermines the effectiveness of counter-proliferation efforts and frustrates attempts to regulate the international arms trade for purposes consistent with relevant international law and standards. The Committee will hold a panel discussion to examine how parliaments could tackle the challenges associated with poorly regulated arms transfers at the national, regional and multilateral levels, and inform the development of good policies and practices to counter diversion by focusing on ways to prevent and eradicate the illicit trafficking of arms, particularly small arms and light weapons.

5. **Elections**
 - (a) Elections to fill existing vacancies on the Bureau
 - (b) Election of the President and Vice-President of the Committee
6. **Any other business**

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