

Informal meetings held by the Foreign Affairs Committee in Session 2012-13

Thursday 14th June 2012

Mr Alexey Pushkov, Chairman, Committee for International Affairs, Russian State Duma, HE Alexander Yakovenko, Russian Ambassador to London, Mr Alexander Kramarenko, Minister Counsellor, and Mr Sergey Nalobin, Head of Bilateral Relations Group, Russian Embassy

Monday 18th June 2012

HM King Abdullah Bin al-Hussein, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Monday 18th June 2012

Shaykh Muhammad Al-Yaqoubi, senior Syrian cleric, Mudasser Hussain, Aide to Shaykh Muhammad, Majid Butt, Aide to Shaykh Muhammad, Toby Orr, Partner, Portland Communications

Wednesday 20th June 2012

FCO briefing on Arab Partnership Fund: Irfan Siddiq, FCO, and Martin Leach, DfID MENAD

Wednesday 27th June 2012

Ms Amy Jeffress, Department of Justice Attaché, and Mr Matt Mulley, Political Specialist, Political Section, Embassy of the United States, London

Wednesday 18th July 2012

Mr Alexander Downer, Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Cyprus

Thursday 2nd August 2012

Hon. Adan Keynan MP, Chairman, Kenyan Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, and members: Hon. Wilson Litole MP; Hon. Peter Anyanga MP; Hon. Mohamed Hussein Ali MP; and Hon. Julius Kilonzo MP

Tuesday 4th September 2012

Mr Mikhail Margelov, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Federation Council of the Russian Federation, HE Alexander Yakovenko, Russian Ambassador and Mr Sergey Nalobin, Head of Bilateral Relations Group

Thursday 13th September 2012

Mr Rosan Sapkota, President, and Mr Krishna Shah, Patriotic Nepalese Democratic Forum UK (PNDFUK)

Monday 17th September 2012

HE Adam Thomson CMG, British High Commissioner to Pakistan

Wednesday 3rd October 2012

Mr Reto Stocker, International Committee of the Red Cross, Head of Operations in Afghanistan

Monday 15th October 2012

HE Anton Thalmann, Ambassador of Switzerland

Wednesday 17th October 2012

Mr Edgars Rinkēvičs, Foreign Minister of Latvia, and HE Eduards Stiprais, Latvian Ambassador to the UK

Thursday 18th October 2012

Mme Elisabeth Guigou, Chair, Foreign Affairs Committee, Assemblée Nationale, HE M. Bernard Emié, Ambassador of France, M. Stanislas Brézet, Committee Secretary, M. Patrick Pascal, First Counsellor, and M. Cyril Blondel, First Secretary, French Embassy

Monday 29th October 2012

Dr Saeb Erekat, Chief Peace Negotiator, Palestinian Authority and Mrs Rana Abu Ayyash, Press Counsellor

Tuesday 30th October 2012

Delegation from Kosovo: HE Dr Jakup Krasniqi, President of the Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo, Mr Glauk Konjufca, Vice-President of the Assembly and Member of the Committee on Community Rights and Interests and for Return, Group Vetëvendosje (VV), Mr Zenun Pajaziti, Chairperson of the Committee for Economic Development, Infrastructure, Trade and Industry, Democratic Party of Kosovo (PDK), Ms Vjosa Osmani, Member of the Committee for European Integration, Democratic League of Kosovo (LDK), Mrs Jasmina Živković, Member of Committee on Rights, Interests of Communities and Returns, and Committee on Legislation, Independent Liberal Party (SLS), Mr Mehmet Hajrizi, Chief of Cabinet to the President of the Assembly and Mr Skender Recica, Adviser for Protocol and for International Relations to the President of the Assembly

Tuesday 30th October 2012

Ms Xenia Dormandy, Senior Fellow, Dr Robin Niblett, Director, Professor Shaun Breslin, Lord Williams of Baglan, Mr David Butter, Ms Jane Kinninmont and Ms Glada Lahn, Chatham House

Wednesday 31st October 2012

HE Witold Sobków, Polish Ambassador to the UK

Tuesday 6th November 2012

Australian parliamentary delegation: Senator the Hon John Hogg, President of the Senate, Senator for Queensland, Mr Alby Schulz MP, Member for Hume (New South

Wales), Senator David Bushby, Senator for Tasmania, Chair of the Senate Economics References Committee, Mr Michael Danby MP, Member for Melbourne Ports (Victoria), Ms Sharon Grierson MP, Member for Newcastle (New South Wales) and the Hon John Murphy MP, Member for Reid (New South Wales)

Wednesday 7th November 2012

British Council: Mr Patrick Brazier, Regional Director (MENA), Mr Adrian Chadwick, Country Director, Saudi Arabia, and Mr Malcolm Jardine, Country Director, Bahrain

Thursday 8th November 2012

HE Dr Salah Ali, Human Rights Minister, Bahrain, HE Alice Samaan, Bahrain Ambassador to the UK, Sheikh Khalifa bin Mohamed Al Khalifa, Director, Human Rights Organisations, Major General Ibrahim Habeeb Al Gaith, Inspector General, Ministry of Interior, Brigadier General Mohamed Rashed, Assistant Under Secretary, Legal Affairs, Ministry of Interior, Mr Hussain Makhlook, First Secretary, Bahrain Embassy London and Mr Nayef Yousif Mahmoud, Attorney General's office

Wednesday 21st November 2012

HE Ambassador Inaam Osseiran, Ambassador of Lebanon to the UK, and Mr Toni Frangie, Deputy Chief of Mission

Wednesday 21st November 2012

Sir Richard Lambert, Lead Non-Executive Board Member and Ms Laura Webb, Deputy Board Secretary, FCO Supervisory Board

Thursday 6th December 2012

Hon. Reuben Meade, Premier of Montserrat and Hon. Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister of Anguilla

Tuesday 8th January 2013

Ms Xenia Dormandy, Senior Fellow, US International Role, Chatham House

Tuesday 8th January 2013

Sir Daniel Bethlehem QC, Consulting Senior Fellow For Law and Strategy, IISS, and former FCO Legal Adviser

Thursday 10th January 2013

Gunther Krichbaum, Chairman, EU Affairs Committee, German Bundestag, and members: Detlef Seif, Dr Eva Högl, Joachim Spatz, Gabriele Molitor, Alexander Ulrich; and HE Georg Boomgaarden, German Ambassador to London, Sibylle Sorg, First Counsellor, German Embassy, London, Sven Koegel, Head of Protocol, German Embassy, London and Caroline Maß, Clerk

Monday 21st January 2013

Ambassador Cesario Melantonio Neto, Brazilian Special Representative for the Middle East

Tuesday 22nd January 2013

Mr Volkan Bozkir, Chairman, and members: Mr Mehmet Muş and Mr Oktay Ekşi, Foreign Affairs Committee, Turkish Parliament, Ambassador Aydın Evirgen, Advisor to the Foreign Affairs Committee, İzzet Anıl Turpçu, Head of Private Cabinet, Foreign Affairs Committee, Berker Ülker, Director of Foreign Affairs and Protocol, Grand National Assembly, Nazmiye Başaran, Counsellor, Turkish Embassy, London

Thursday 24th January 2013

Sheikh Ali Salman, Secretary-General of Al Wefaq, Bahrain and Ali Alaswad, Former MP for Al Wefaq, Bahrain

Wednesday 13th February 2013

Ambassador Dr Lyushun Shen, Representative of the Taiwan Representative Office in the UK

Thursday 14th February 2013

Mr Jean-Claude Mignon, Member of the French National Assembly and President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), Mr Xavier Pinon, Special Adviser to the President, Mr Artemy Karpenko, Deputy Head of the Private Office of the President and Ms Sally Bailey, Head of Interpretation Services, PACE

Tuesday 26th February 2013

Mr Adel Abdulrahman Al-Maawdeh, Deputy Speaker, Bahraini Parliament, and Members of Parliament: Mr Abdul Hamid Jalal Al-Meer, Mr Mahmood Yusuf Almahmood, Ms Hala Ramzi Fayiz Qurisa, and Ms Nancy Dinah Elly Khedouri; and Mr Ali Hasan Al-Khazali and Mr Mohamed Al-Abbasi, Parliamentary Advisors

Wednesday 27th February 2013

Dr Suresh Chalise, Nepalese Ambassador to the UK

Wednesday 27th February 2013

Mr Vitalij Kaluzhny, Chairman, Foreign Affairs Committee, Parliament of Ukraine, Ina Kirsch, Managing Director, European Centre for a Modern Ukraine (Brussels) and Mr Toby Denselow, Burson-Marsteller

Wednesday 6th March 2013

HE Mr Nabil Ammar, Tunisian Ambassador to the UK

Wednesday 6th March 2013

HE Dr Abdullah M Alsheikh, Speaker, Saudi Arabian Shura Council and Members of the Shura Council: Dr Hamza Hussain Alshareef, Dr Zuhair Fahad Alharthi, Mr Saud Abdulrahman Alshammari, Dr Said Abdulla Alshaikh, Dr Amr I. B. Rajab, Dr Thoraya Ahmed Obaid and Dr Nuhad Mohammed Aljishi; Dr Abdulrahman Al Soghyar, Director General, Consultative Council, Mr Mohammed Al Brahim, Director, Protocol Department

Tuesday 12th March 2013

Adjoa Anyimadu, Paul Melly and Elizabeth Donnelly, Africa Programme Specialists, Chatham House

Wednesday 13th March 2013

Mr David Quarrey, Director, MENAD, FCO

Monday 18th March 2013

FCO briefing: Mr David Quarrey, Director, MENAD, and Kenny Taylor, Saudi Arabia Desk Officer, FCO

Monday 18th March 2013

HE Volodymyr Khandogiy, Ambassador of Ukraine, Anatolii Solovei, Counsellor, Ukrainian Embassy

Tuesday 19th March 2013

Sir Sherard Cowper Coles and Mr Bob Keen, BAE Systems

Tuesday 23rd April 2013

Rt Hon Stephen O'Brien MP, Prime Minister's Envoy and Special Representative for the Sahel, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Wednesday 24th April 2013

Delegation of Members of the Senegalese Parliament: M. Mamadou Lamine Diallo, M. Modou Diagne Fada, M. Thierno Bocum, M. Mame Balla Lo and Mme Panda Seck Diang

Friday 26th April 2013

Delegation of members of the Plan and Budget Committee of the Turkish Parliament: Mr Lütfi Elvan, Chairman, Mr Süreyya Sadi Bilgiç, Mr Ahmet Öksüzokaya, Mr Sadık Badak, Mr Mehmet Muş, Mr Mehmet Yüksel, Mr Bülent Kuşoğlu, Mr Aydın Ağan Ayaydin, Mr Rahmi Askin Tureli, Mr Erkan Akçay, Mr Mustafa Kalayci, and Mr Adil Kurt; and Mr Ünal Çeviköz, Turkish Ambassador to the UK

Tuesday 7th May 2013

Mr Ilyas Dawaleh, Djibouti Finance Minister, Mr Ali Mohammed, Government of Djibouti, and Keir Ferguson, ACPO Communications

Tuesday 7th May 2013

Mr Kevin MacKenzie, British Council Country Director for Burma