Counteraction to manifestations of neo-Nazism and right-wing extremism

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its Resolution 2011 (2014) on counteraction to manifestations of neo-Nazism and right-wing extremism, in which it unequivocally condemns the increasing number of manifestations of neo-Nazism (right-wing extremism) and the rising popularity of neo-Nazi parties in Europe.

2. Considering that this is not an isolated phenomenon particular to some Council of Europe member States, but rather a problem of pan-European dimension, often lying dormant in society until conditions favourable to its emergence arise, the Assembly believes it can only be effectively tackled on the basis of shared experiences and good practice among member States.

3. The Assembly therefore asks the Committee of Ministers to:

   3.1. consider possible ways for the Council of Europe to co-ordinate the various member States’ efforts against right-wing extremism, in particular by ensuring the exchange of experience and good practice;

   3.2. support member States in their fight against right-wing extremism through demand-driven co-operation programmes;

   3.3. support the initiative by the Council of Europe “No Hate Speech Movement” youth campaign and declare 22 July the “European Day for Victims of Hate Crime”, in commemoration of the day of the terrorist attacks in Oslo and on Utøya Island, Norway;

   3.4. bring to the attention of the governments of the member States the specific recommendations included in Resolution 2011 (2014).

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1. Assembly debate on 30 September 2014 (30th Sitting) (see Doc. 13593, report of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, rapporteur: Ms Marietta de Pourbaix-Lundin; and Doc. 13602, opinion of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination, rapporteur: Ms Olga Kazakova). Text adopted by the Assembly on 30 September 2014 (30th Sitting).