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Council of Europe reform: participation of civil society in danger

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The undersigned members of the Parliamentary Assembly:

- honor the Council of Europe institutional structure, the “quadrilogue” guaranteeing the synergy between the highest levels of decision-making, citizens and the grass-roots of the society;
- underline the role of the International Non-Governmental Organisations (INGO) Conference in this structure as a voice of people in Europe of all political outlooks and all social and cultural origins;
- are concerned about the Council of Europe planned financial reform, proposed within the framework of 2011 budget, foreseeing over a 50% reduction in the INGOs Conference budget (which represented 0,52% of the 2010 global budget);
- underline that such budgetary cuts would sacrifice the Conference of INGOs activities and means of subsistence;
- urge the Committee of Ministers to consider other means of rationalisation and saving and to review the draft budget for 2011 accordingly.

Signed (see overleaf)



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