



Recommendation 136 (1957)¹

Provision of wider terms of reference for the Working Party studying the problems of a European Civil Service

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Having regard to Resolution(55) 19, adopted on 12th October, 1955 by the Committee of Ministers, setting up a Working Party to study problems of a European Civil Service and to make proposals for the harmonizing of the separate statutes and for the co-operation of organisations in the administrative field ;

Considering that the Governments which have signed the Treaties instituting the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community will be preparing staff regulations for the officials of the new Communities ;

Recalling the wish expressed on several occasions that a genuine corps of European officials be formed ;

Convinced that, in present circumstances, in view of the new Communities about to employ large staffs and of the manifest trend towards rationalising European institutions, it would be of considerable advantage to increase in every possible way the attempts to prepare a real "Statute" for a European Civil Service, applicable to all officials employed in these organisations ;

Considering that the creation of a genuine body of civil servants, endowed with a constitutional status well adapted to their tasks, is essential to the efficiency of European institutions ;

Considering, therefore, that the preparation of such a "Statute" is in the interests of the organisations, their Member Governments and the officials employed by them,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers should:

1. Specify the terms of reference of the Working Party set up by Resolution (55) 19, while instructing it to present, at the earliest possible date, a general report containing a complete draft European Civil Service Statute ;
2. Place at the disposal of the Working Party the necessary means to accomplish this task within a given period ;
3. Invite the Working Party to approach the Interim Commission set up by the signatories to the Treaties instituting the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, in order that the Working Party, bearing in mind the views and work of this Commission, may prepare a draft Statute applicable to both present and future European organisations ;
4. Urge the Governments represented on the Interim Commission to facilitate in every possible way this approach, in the interests of harmonising and unifying the regulations governing European civil servants ;
5. Transmit in due course to the Assembly for its Opinion the draft Statute prepared by the Working Party.

1. see [Doc.659](#), Report of the Committee on the Budget This Recommendation was adopted by the Assembly at its 8th Sitting, on 3rd May 1957

