



Recommendation 173 (1958)¹

Scientific research crisis in Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Noting the shortage of scientists and technologists in Western countries and the disturbing repercussions which might ensue ;

Adopting the conclusions of the report presented by the Cultural Committee on the subject of scientific research,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe and the Council of O.E.E.C. :

1. Ensure the strongest support in the member countries of the OEEC Office of Scientific and Technical Manpower and its programme of activities ;
2. Ensure that equivalent effort be put into the building up of programmes of scientific research and technological development in member countries commensurate with present cultural and economic needs and, in particular, that arrangements be made for European co-ordination and harmonisation of national efforts in the field of scientific research and applied technology ;
3. Supply information, at the forth-coming Session, on the action taken with regard to this recommendation and the results achieved.

1. (a) Question introduced on 12th October 1956 by the tabling of a motion for a Recommendation, [Doc. 552](#), by Mr. Nicolson and others.
(b) 13th October 1956, reference to the Cultural Committee (Reference No. 114).
(c) 29th April 1958, tabling of the Report of the Cultural Committee, [Doc. 816](#).
(d) 18th September 1958, tabling of the revised Report of the Cultural Committee, [Doc. 850](#).
(e) 16th October 1958, debate in the Assembly (see 19th Sitting of the 10th Session). The Recommendation was adopted unanimously.

