



Recommendation 205 (1959)¹

Make the Council of Europe the framework for multilateral action in the cultural field, with the object of strengthening the solidarity of the free world

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Having regard to the Resolution of the Committee of Cultural Affairs and of Information adopted in November 1958 by the fourth annual Conference of NATO Parliamentarians, relating to the cultural activities of N.A.T.O.²;

Having regard to the existence of a Council of Europe Cultural Convention open to the accession of non-member countries of the Council, and of its Cultural Fund,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers :

1. Invite the Governments of member countries who are Members of N.A.T.O. :
 1. before entrusting N.A.T.O. with fresh activities in the cultural field, to consider the grave disadvantage of duplication of work ;
 2. to use the Council of Europe as the framework for multilateral action in the cultural field, with the object of strengthening the solidarity of the free world ;
2. Examine the possibility of associating Portugal, the United States and Canada with the execution of certain projects of a cultural nature initiated by the Council of Europe.

1. Assembly Debate on 15th September 1959 (14th Sitting) (see [Doc. 1020](#). Report of the Cultural Committee). Text Adopted by the Assembly on 15th September 1959 (14th Sitting).

2. Cf. [Doc. 1020](#), Appendix I.

