



## Recommendation 256 (1960)<sup>1</sup>

# Inclusion in the Council of Europe Cultural Programme of an item "Presenting Europe to non-Europeans"

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Considering that European countries have a joint responsibility towards nationals of African and Asian countries who come to Europe to study;

Considering that Europe should be presented to them as a cultural community and that they should take with them upon their return home the picture of a united and peaceful Europe;

Considering that it is desirable that, in general, European civilisation should be presented to non-Europeans as a single unit embracing diverse national features and characteristics;

Considering that this need to present Europe to the rest of the world as a cultural entity calls for studies and solutions that no one European country can carry out by itself, much less impose upon others,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers should request the Committee of Cultural Experts to include in their programme systematic and sustained action, with a view to presenting Europe as a cultural community to non-Europeans.

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1. Assembly debate on 27th September 1960 (17th Sitting) (see [Docs. 1154](#) Docs. 1154, First Report of the Administrative Board of the Cultural Fund, and [Doc. 1182](#), Report of the Cultural Committee). Text adopted by the Assembly on 27th September 1960 (17th Sitting).

