



Recommendation 385 (1964)¹

International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Whereas at a diplomatic conference, held in Rome from 10th to 26th October 1961, there was drawn up and adopted the International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations

Considering that this Convention ensures the recognition and protection, at international level, of the rights of performing artists, producers of phonograms and broadcasting organisations, without prejudice to the protection of copyright in literary and artistic works ;

Considering that this Convention, with regard to neighbouring rights, establishes minimum standards of protection and can be considered as a general pattern for domestic legislation ;

Considering that this Convention strikes a fair balance between the interests of the three parties concerned ;

Having regard to the fact that this Convention may be signed or acceded to by any country which had been invited to attend the aforementioned diplomatic conference or is a member of the United Nations, provided it is a party to the World Copyright Convention or the revised Berne Copyright Convention;

Having regard to the fact that nine member States of the Council of Europe (Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Iceland, Italy, Sweden and the United Kingdom) have, so far, signed this Convention ;

Having noted the contents of the report of its Legal Committee ([Doc. 1710](#)),

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers :

1. Should, in accordance with Article 15 (b) of the Statute, advise member Governments, which have not already done so, to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations or accede thereto ;
2. Should recommend that member Governments, in so doing, should, to the extent possible, not make use of the reservations and exceptions permitted by this Convention.

1. Assembly debate on 17th January 1964 (24th Sitting) (see [Doc. 1710](#), report of the Legal Committee). Text adopted by the Assembly on 17th January 1964 (24th Sitting).

