



Recommendation 435 (1965)¹

Concerning the 13th report on the activities of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Having taken note of the 13th report on the activities of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the report of the Committee on Population and Refugees in reply thereto ;
2. Noting the progress made in implementing the last major aid programme for "old" European refugees, which received the support of the Committee of Ministers (Resolution (62) 40) and of the Consultative Assembly ([Recommendation 329](#)) ;
3. Finding that there still remain some 750,000 refugees within the mandate of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in member countries of the Council of Europe ;
4. Considering that a special effort should be made to place these refugees as far as possible on an equal footing with the nationals of the receiving countries, or to grant them the same rights as those accorded under the various intra-European agreements to nationals of the member States of European organisations on the territory of other member States ;
5. Recalling its [Resolution 213](#) to improve the status of refugees in the context of European integration ;
6. Welcoming the efforts made to this end by the High Commissioner and the results already achieved in this field ;
7. Anxious to hasten the complete and final integration of "old" refugees in Europe,
8. Recommends the Committee of Ministers to invite the Governments of the member countries to incorporate, in agreements and conventions concluded or to be concluded in the context of European organisations, clauses which permit refugees within the mandate of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees who lawfully reside in the territory of member countries which are Contracting Parties to these instruments to have the benefit of the facilities granted by the Contracting Parties to nationals of other Contracting Parties.

1. Assembly Debate on 1st October 1965 (15th Sitting) (see [Doc. 1944](#), report of the Committee on Population and Refugees). Text adopted by the Assembly on 1st October 1965 (15th Sitting).

