



Recommendation 706 (1973)¹

Aid to the countries of Indo-China

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Heartily welcoming the agreement on ending the war and restoring peace in Vietnam, signed on 27 January 1973 in Paris ;
2. Conscious that the Vietnamese war, as well as the hostilities in Cambodia and Laos, have caused tremendous human and economic suffering to the population of these countries ;
3. Realising the great immediate task with which the countries of Indo-China are faced in supplying humanitarian assistance to their populations and in reconstructing and developing their countries ;
4. Appreciating the efforts of the Red Cross organisations and other voluntary bodies to channel humanitarian assistance to the victims of war in Indo-China ;
5. Supporting the idea that the United Nations set up a relief and reconstruction programme to the peoples of Vietnam ;
6. Welcoming the resolution adopted by the European Parliament on 15 February 1973 on Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia ;
7. Expressing its gratitude to the member governments of the Council of Europe who have already given financial and technical assistance to the distressed areas ;
8. Being of the opinion that in a spirit of European solidarity all Council of Europe member States should provide and coordinate aid to the countries of Indo-China,
9. Recommends that the Committee of Ministers adopt a resolution inviting member governments of the Council of Europe ;
 - a. to support substantially the Red Cross organisations and other voluntary bodies providing immediate humanitarian relief for victims of the war in Indo-China ;
 - b. to define and coordinate as soon as possible medium and long-term aid projects designed to reconstruct and economically develop the countries of Indo-China ;
 - c. in addition to such projects, to stimulate and participate in projects of the United Nations and its specialised agencies for aid to these countries.

1. Assembly debate on 18 May 1973 (8th Sitting) (see , report of the Committee on Population and Refugees). Text adopted by the Assembly on 18 May 1973 (8th Sitting).

