



Resolution 28 (1953)¹

Promotion of a European policy for assisting refugees

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Stressing once more the imperative need to assist refugees, and more particularly those of Berlin, the considerable influx of whom sets a grave problem for the social and economic consolidation of Europe;

Welcoming the action undertaken by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on behalf of the Berlin refugees, and acknowledging the generous gifts made by some Governments,

1. Reminds the peoples of Europe of the gravity of the refugee problem, the inadequacy of the means so far employed for its solution, and the need to ensure the close co-ordination of efforts made in the fields of aid, rehabilitation in Europe, and emigration overseas;
2. Re-affirms that the problem of refugees, whose tragic plight has been acknowledged by all international bodies, is European in character;
3. Considers that the remedy for such a situation can only be found in common action on the part of all Member States;
4. Invites Its Representatives to uphold and further these two principles in their respective countries.

1. This Resolution was adopted by the Assembly at its tenth Sitting, 13th May, 1953 (see [Doc 139](#), Report of the Committee on Population and Refugees).

