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Progress of the Assembly's Monitoring Procedure (2000-2001)

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1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its Resolution 1260 (2001) on progress in the Assembly's monitoring procedure.

2. The Assembly recalls the principle set out in its Resolution 1115 (1997), according to which the Monitoring Committee is the only committee with direct responsibility for issues relating to commitments entered into by states that are being monitored and for assessing how far these countries are abiding by the general obligations arising from their membership of the Organisation.

3. Therefore, reference to the Monitoring Committee should be considered for all motions concerning the obligations and commitments of member states that are the subject of a monitoring procedure or which cover a specific topic included in the monitoring rapporteurs' work programme and, when necessary, for an opinion to the Assembly committee with general responsibility for the subject.

4. The Assembly also refers to its Resolution 1155 (1998), where it called for closer co-operation and a complementary relationship between the Monitoring Committee and other Assembly committees, and expressed the hope that these other committees would co-ordinate their activities with those of the Monitoring Committee.

5. It invites the Monitoring Committee to hold joint meetings with the other Assembly committees with responsibilities in areas of common interest.

6. It also invites the Monitoring Committee to intensify, when appropriate, co-operation with the European Parliament and the Commonwealth of Independent States Assembly.

1. Assembly debate on 26 September 2001 (29th Sitting) (see Doc. 9198, report of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe, rapporteur: Mr Mota Amaral). Text adopted by the Assembly on 26 September 2001 (29th Sitting).