



Recommendation 1593 (2003)¹

Evaluation of the prospects for a political solution of the conflict in the Chechen Republic

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its [Resolution 1315 \(2003\)](#) concerning the evaluation of the prospects of a political solution to the conflict in the Chechen Republic.
2. The Assembly requests that the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe increase its practical assistance to the authorities of the Russian Federation and the Chechen Republic in all relevant spheres including the rule of law, human rights, the functioning of democracy, cultural co-operation and humanitarian priorities. It further requests that the Committee of Ministers, in response to any specific and convincing requests, provide appropriate support for the Consultative Council and other relevant political, social and youth organisations. It also requests that the Committee of Ministers, together with Mr Sultygov, the Special Representative of the President of the Russian Federation for Human Rights, consider ways in which the work of the Council of Europe experts could be still more effective.
3. The Assembly also requests that the Committee of Ministers press for the immediate implementation by the competent authorities of the recent recommendations made by the Council of Europe's Commissioner for Human Rights "on certain rights that must be guaranteed during the arrest and detention of persons following 'cleansing' operations in the Chechen Republic of the Russian Federation".
4. The Assembly calls upon the Committee of Ministers to take urgent steps to bring its [Resolution 1315 \(2003\)](#) to the attention of the Government of the Russian Federation and to press for expeditious action on it.

1. Assembly debate on 29 January 2003 (5th Sitting) (see [Doc. 9687](#), report of the Political Affairs Committee, rapporteur: Lord Judd). Text adopted by the Assembly on 29 January 2003 (5th Sitting).

