



## Recommendation 1658 (2004)<sup>1</sup>

# Persecution of the press in the Republic of Belarus

Parliamentary Assembly

The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe refers to its Resolution [Resolution 1372 \(2004\)](#) on the persecution of the press in the Republic of Belarus and recommends that the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe:

1. take into account this resolution when deciding on action concerning Belarus;
2. forward this resolution to the governments of member states and Observer states and request them to support in their bilateral relations with Belarus the fulfilment of the catalogue of requirements contained in this resolution with regard to freedom of the media;
3. encourage member states to provide objective and impartial broadcasting programmes and print and Internet publications aimed specifically at the Belarusian public.

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1. Assembly debate on 28 April 2004 (12th Sitting) (see [Doc. 10107](#), report of the Political Affairs Committee, rapporteur: Mr Pourgourides; and [Doc. 10165](#), opinion of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education, rapporteur: Ms Muttonen). Text adopted by the Assembly on 28 April 2004 (12th Sitting).

