



## Recommendation 1826 (2008)<sup>1</sup>

# The situation in the Republics of Central Asia

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to [Resolution 1599 \(2008\)](#) on the situation in the republics of central Asia.
2. The Assembly recalls that the Council of Europe heads of state and government, meeting for the Warsaw Summit in May 2005, expressed commitment to new intercultural and inter-religious dialogue with neighbouring regions, including central Asia, based on universal human rights.
3. The Assembly calls on the Committee of Ministers to take steps so as to translate this commitment into practical action.
4. The Assembly therefore recommends that the Committee of Ministers considers:
  - 4.1. the possibility of inviting representatives of central Asian states to follow conferences of specialised ministers organised by the Council of Europe;
  - 4.2. the appropriateness and the possibility of central Asian states' participation in some Council of Europe conventions;
  - 4.3. the possibility, in the framework of Council of Europe co-operation with the European Union and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, of the participation of Council of Europe experts in the elaboration and implementation of these bodies' programmes of assistance to central Asia in the fields of core activities of our Organisation;
  - 4.4. the possibility of establishing inter-institutional contacts with regional organisations in which central Asian states take part;
  - 4.5. other appropriate measures contributing to dialogue with central Asian states.

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1. Assembly debate on 23 January 2008 (6th Sitting) (see [Doc. 11460](#), report of the Political Affairs Committee, rapporteur: Mr Mercan). Text adopted by the Assembly on 23 January 2008 (6th Sitting).

