



**Resolution 1650 (2009)<sup>1</sup>**

## **Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Albania**

Parliamentary Assembly

1. On 26 January 2009 the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Albania were contested on procedural grounds (Rule 7 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure), as there were reasons to believe that one member of that delegation for the 2008 session had been removed from the 2009 delegation in breach of the relevant provisions of the Rules of Procedure.
2. The Parliamentary Assembly has examined the various objections made and found that the appointment of the Albanian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly has been made in compliance with Article 25 of the Statute of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 1) and Rule 6 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure.
3. The Assembly decides therefore to ratify the credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Albania.
4. Furthermore, it invites the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) to examine during its discussions with the Albanian authorities how the Albanian Parliament is informed of any changes to the composition of its delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly and if any adaptations of current practice, particularly when the parliament is not in session, would be useful.

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1. *Assembly debate* on 29 January 2009 (7th Sitting) (see [Doc. 11809](#), report of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, rapporteur: Mr Greenway). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 29 January 2009 (7th Sitting).

