



**Recommendation 1894 (2010)<sup>1</sup>**

Final version

## Functioning of democratic institutions in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its [Resolution 1701 \(2010\)](#) on the functioning of democratic institutions in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in which it calls upon the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the key political stakeholders to urgently agree on and implement, in close co-operation with the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission), a constitutional reform in time to hold the forthcoming parliamentary elections in 2010 according to new rules that are in line with the requirements of the European Convention on Human Rights (ETS No. 5).
2. The Assembly recommends that the Committee of Ministers:
  - 2.1. take Assembly [Resolution 1701 \(2010\)](#) into account in its own periodic reporting procedure conducted by the Group of Rapporteurs on Democracy (GR-DEM);
  - 2.2. intensify co-operation programmes with Bosnia and Herzegovina aimed at facilitating constitutional reform and harmonising domestic legislation with the constitutional amendments to be adopted, in particular in the field of electoral legislation, as well as completing the implementation of the country's remaining commitments and obligations;
  - 2.3. consider launching a wide discussion, with the participation of key domestic and international stakeholders, including the members of the Peace Implementation Council and, in particular, European Union institutions and Bosnia and Herzegovina's neighbours, about the challenges Bosnia and Herzegovina currently has to face on the road to Euro-Atlantic integration and the means to overcome them.

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1. *Assembly debate* on 26 January 2010 (4th Sitting) (see [Doc. 12112](#), report of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee), co-rapporteurs: Mr Çavuşoğlu and Mr Sasi). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 26 January 2010 (4th Sitting).

