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Asylum seekers and refugees: sharing responsibilities in Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly, referring to its Resolution 1820 (2011) on asylum seekers and refugees: sharing responsibilities in Europe, considers that Europe has to take further measures to ensure that responsibilities for refugees and asylum seekers are shared fairly in Europe and that those seeking international protection have access to fair and efficient systems for the processing of their claims.

2. The Assembly therefore invites the Committee of Ministers to:

2.1. establish a Council of Europe good practice guide in asylum determination practice and procedure, highlighting the relevant Council of Europe human rights standards;

2.2. ensure Council of Europe access and input to any materials developed by the European Union, for example by the European Asylum Support Office, to ensure that the interests of all 47 member states of the Council of Europe (and not just the 27 member states of the European Union) are fully taken into account;

2.3. provide a framework for providing mutual assistance, resettlement and relocation of refugees across the 47 member states of the Council of Europe.

1. Assembly debate on 21 June 2011 (22nd Sitting) (see Doc. 12630, report of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population, rapporteur: Mr Chope). Text adopted by the Assembly on 21 June 2011 (22nd Sitting).