

Recommendation 2127 (2018)¹

The situation in Libya: prospects and role of the Council of Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its [Resolution 2215 \(2018\)](#) The situation in Libya: prospects and role of the Council of Europe.
2. The Assembly is aware that only the establishment of unified state structures will help to end widespread and daily violations of human rights and humanitarian law in Libya and will be able, in the long term, to reduce the terrorist threat and stem migration flows that are affecting the member States directly. It therefore considers that the Council of Europe has good reason to contribute to the efforts of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) to this end, bearing in mind its expertise in institutional matters and the objectives set by the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for Libya in his Action Plan of 20 September 2017.
3. The Assembly notes that the establishment of this co-operation, organised on an ad hoc basis, could partly be carried out within a regional framework by favouring the opening of targeted programmes, currently covering countries such as Tunisia, to representatives of the administration of the Libyan Government of National Accord. The Assembly, subject to an appeal from the Libyan authorities, requests the Committee of Ministers to be ready to assist in a timely manner in:
 - 3.1. the establishment of criteria for monitoring the respect for human rights of migrants in Libya and in Libyan territorial waters based on the relevant conventions and in particular on the European Convention on Human Rights (ETS No. 5) and its case law;
 - 3.2. the establishment of electoral assistance in preparation for a constitutional referendum and then parliamentary and presidential elections;
 - 3.3. the creation of a media environment capable of reporting on the above elections, keeping as much as possible in line with international ethical standards for journalists.

1. *Assembly debate* on 25 April 2018 (15th Sitting) (see [Doc. 14519](#), report of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, rapporteur: Mr Attila Korodi; and [Doc. 14534](#), opinion of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, rapporteur: Ms Tineke Strik). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 25 April 2018 (15th Sitting).

