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The Reykjavík Summit of the Council of Europe – reshaping the foundations of multilateralism

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1. The 4th Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe, held in Reykjavík on 16 and 17 May 2023, demonstrated European unity in response to the aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, as well as the unity of the member States around the values of the Council of Europe. The Reykjavík Declaration, prepared by the Committee of Ministers, provides in particular for a recommitment to protecting our democratic foundations, and resolves to counter challenges to human rights and the rule of law by renewing the member States' commitment to the Council of Europe's values and principles, working through the Committee of Ministers, the Parliamentary Assembly and the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities. It also contains a recognition of the importance of the co-operation dimension of the Organisation and a commitment to strengthening the role of the Council of Europe in the European multilateral architecture.

2. The Committee of Ministers recognises the initiating role of the Parliamentary Assembly for the organisation of a summit and welcomes its key contribution to the deliverables of the Reykjavík Summit. It looks forward to continuing its good co-operation with the Parliamentary Assembly in the implementation of the Reykjavík Declaration.

1. Adopted at the 1469th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies (14 June 2023).