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Application by Kosovo* for membership of the Council of Europe

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In the draft opinion, replace paragraph 5 with the following paragraph:

"The Assembly believes that Kosovo's aspirations to join the Council of Europe should not be met with a positive response. Membership would lead to further persecution and impunity, as many particularly ethnically-motivated crimes remain unpunished. It would also enable the Council of Europe to have greater oversight of domestic developments and to deploy all the instruments at its disposal to contribute to consolidating democracy and the rule of law. Kosovo's relationship with the European Union is heavily dependent on the fulfillment of the key provisions of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement, particularly those that relate to the Belgrade-Pristina dialogue, and normalisation of relations between Belgrade and Pristina."

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