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9th May, 1953
REQUEST FOR INCLUSION IN THE AGENDA OF THE SESSION - Study of ways and means of ensuring the representation of Local Authorities in European Institutions
Request for inclusion in the agenda of the session[1]
tabled by M. CHABAN-DELMAS and other members of the Assembly

This motion has not been discussed in the Assembly and commits only those who have signed it

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The Assembly,

Considering that local autonomy represents the most ancient and firmest basis of the political structure and fundamental freedoms of European civilisation,

Considering that Local Authorities have an essential contribution to make to the proper administration of the democratic State, if only by ensuring, as they do, that every citizen shall participate in the supervision of public business.

Considering, furthermore, that the establishment of supranational powers in Europe may increase the clanger which already threatens the small measure of autonomy still enjoyed by Local Authorities,

Considering that the representation of the Local Authorities in present and future European institutions might provide a safeguard against this danger,

Decides to include in its Agenda the following question :

" Study of ways and means of ensuring the representation of Local Authorities in European Institutions ",

and instructs the Special Committee on Municipal and Regional Questions to study t h e problem and report thereon to the Assembly.

Signed :

CHABAN-DELMAS, BOWDEN, CHIOSTERGI, EBÜZZIYA, SCHMAL, DICKSON, SINGER, DI GIOVANNI, EDERT, KNUDSEN, SMITHERS.

Signed (see overleaf)

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1. See 5th Session, 1953 : 6th Sitting, 11th May, 1953 (Question included in the Agenda and referred to the Special Committee on Municipal and Regional Affairs).

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