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## European Social Charter and European Economic and Social Council

**Draft order**

tabled by the Social, Health and Family Affairs Committee

The Assembly,

Recalling its Opinion No. 5 adopted on 23rd September, 1953, and approved by the Committee of Ministers in its Special Message of 20th May, 1954, in which the Assembly declared itself in favour of the preparation of a European Social Charter;

Recalling its Resolution 26 of 17th January, 1953, proposing the creation of a European Economic and Social Council and its Orders 9 and 10 instructing the Committee on Economic Questions and the Committee on Social Questions to prepare a draft recommendation on this subject;

Taking note of the first-reading debate held on Tuesday, 18th October, 1955;

Having examined the draft European Social Charter prepared by the Committee on Social Questions, which contains the plan for the creation of an Economic and Social Council ([Doc. 403](#));

Having examined the communication of the Chairman of the Committee on Economic Questions, dated 15th October, pointing out the important economic aspects of this plan;

Considering the request of the Committee of Ministers that the proposals of the Assembly be transmitted to the governmental Social Committee before their final adoption;

Expressing its satisfaction with this new method of collaboration between the two organs of the Council, provided that it involves an exchange of opinions and not merely the transmission of documents,

1. Instructs the Committee on Economic Questions to examine the proposals of the Committee on Social Questions in the presence of representatives of the latter;
2. Instructs the Committee on Social Questions to examine, in the presence of representatives of the Committee on Economic Questions, such amendments as the latter Committee may in due course propose, and any other amendments or proposals which may be submitted to it by other members of the Assembly;
3. Instructs the two Committees and other competent committees to appoint representatives to undertake an exchange of views with the governmental Social Committee;
4. Retains the draft Social Charter and the proposals for the creation of an Economic and Social Council on its Agenda, with a view to a second debate and the adoption of a recommendation in the course of the Eighth Session.

