



Order 429 (1986)¹

Consequences for public health and the environment of accidents involving radioactivity

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Noting the grave public and parliamentary concern occasioned by the disastrous accident at the Chernobyl reactor in the Ukrainian Socialist Soviet Republic ;
2. Moved and in sympathy with those who have suffered or are suffering the short- and longer term effects caused by the consequent release into the atmosphere of radioactive substances ;
3. Anxious about the effects on public health and the environment of accidental emissions of radioactivity into the atmosphere ;
4. Aware of the apparent insufficient state of preparedness of local, national and international authorities to react effectively in the case of such emergencies ;
5. Also aware of the manifold implications for many of its specialised committees ;
6. Recalling its [Resolution 847 \(1985\)](#) on radioactive waste management,
7. Instructs its competent committees to organise, at the earliest opportunity, a full parliamentary hearing on the Chernobyl disaster, and to prepare a report on the implications for public health and the environment of accidents involving releases of radioactivity.

1. See [Doc. 5594](#), report of the Social and Health Affairs Committee, and [Doc. 5596](#), opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities. Text adopted by the Standing Committee, acting on behalf of the Assembly, on 3 July 1986.

