

Recommendation 110 (1957)¹

Concerning relations of the Council of Europe with international organisations working in the university sphere

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Welcoming the establishment of a European Universities Committee following the first conference of University Rectors and Vice-Chancellors held at Cambridge in July 1955 ;

Recalling the terms of [Opinion No. 14](#) in reply to the cultural chapter of the Special Message of the Committee of Ministers, adopted on 7th July 1955 ;

Having regard to the "Conclusions" of the Special Meeting on European universities held in Paris from 11th to 13th June 1956,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers should :

A. With regard to the European Universities Committee :

- (i) henceforth regard this Committee as an independent body of experts on all questions concerning the European universities of member countries ;
- (ii) contribute, in agreement with W.E.U., to the maintenance of this Committee by the grant of the necessary credits, whilst respecting its autonomous character ;
- (iii) by an agreement between the Secretaries-General of the Council of Europe and W.E.U. ensure the closest possible cooperation between the two organisations with regard to the Secretariat of this Committee ;
- (iv) make the necessary arrangements for the next meeting of Rectors and Vice-Chancellors of the Universities of member countries to be organised, if the Committee so desires, under the auspices of the Council of Europe ;

B. As regards the "Conclusions" of the Special Meeting :

- (v) establish, if necessary by the grant of consultative status, links between the Council of Europe and the other international organisations concerned with university matters, with a view to the implementation of the measures advocated in the "Conclusions" of the Special Meeting ;
- (vi) instruct the Secretary-General to act as liaison officer between university authorities and organisations, on the one hand, and national and international authorities, on the other, with a view to carrying out the programme of work set forth in these "Conclusions" ;
- (vii) give the Secretariat the facilities for carrying out these new functions and, specifically, provide the necessary funds.

1. (see [Doc.561](#), draft Recommendation of the Committee on Cultural and Scientific Questions and Explanatory Memorandum by M. Erler). This Recommendation was adopted by the Assembly at its 30th Sitting, on 8th January 1957

