



Recommendation 417 (1965)¹

Publication of the travaux préparatoires of Council of Europe Conventions and Agreements

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Considering that, when called upon to interpret a treaty, international tribunals and the national courts of most member States of the Council of Europe will seek the aid of the travaux préparatoires of the treaty when its text is not clear ;
2. Considering that these tribunals and courts may be called upon to interpret some of the Conventions and Agreements concluded under the auspices of the Council of Europe ;
3. Considering that it may be desirable that the travaux préparatoires of Council of Europe Conventions and Agreements, in particular those of a law-making character, be published and made available ;
4. Considering that this is also in the interest of the study of European law ;
5. Having regard to the report of its Legal Committee ([Doc. 1861](#)),
6. Recommends the Committee of Ministers to authorise the Secretary-General to publish and make available, with the consent of the Governments of member States having taken part in the negotiations, the travaux préparatoires of Council of Europe Conventions and Agreements.

1. Assembly debate on 28th January 1965 (23rd Sitting) (see [Doc. 1861](#), report of the Legal Committee). Text adopted by the Assembly on 28th January 1965 (23rd Sitting).

