



Recommendation 1902 (2010)¹

Final version

Functioning of democratic institutions in Albania

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its [Resolution 1709 \(2010\)](#) on the functioning of democratic institutions in Albania, in which it deplores the tense political situation following the parliamentary elections of June 2009, with the opposition, led by the Socialist Party, boycotting the parliament and contesting the political legitimacy of the government, led by the Democratic Party.
2. Recalling that the Council of Europe has a statutory duty to help member states to overcome such situations by constitutional and democratic means, the Assembly recommends that the Committee of Ministers:
 - 2.1. be actively involved, in close co-operation with the international organisations and diplomatic representatives of Council of Europe member states which are competent in the field, in the search for a political solution to the crisis and support the efforts to bring all political parties to the discussion table;
 - 2.2. consider monitoring developments in Albania, possibly by including this item on the agenda of its Rapporteur Group on Democracy (GR-DEM) with a view to proposing any further action to the Committee of Ministers as may be required by the situation;
 - 2.3. engage in a dialogue with the Assembly on how the Organisation can contribute to a solution to the current crisis.

1. *Assembly debate* on 28 January 2010 (8th Sitting) (see [Doc. 12113](#), report of the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee), co-rapporteurs: Mr Laakso and Mr Wilshire). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 28 January 2010 (8th Sitting).

