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Duration of the mandate of the President of the Assembly (Rule 15.5 of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure)

Motion for a resolution

tabled by Mr Axel E. FISCHER and other members of the Assembly

This motion has not been discussed in the Assembly and commits only those who have signed it

Unlike the national parliaments or the European Parliament, the Parliamentary Assembly only holds plenary sessions four times a year. Its permanent bodies and its President in particular thus need to be clearly visible to the outside world.

For this reason, it makes sense to go back to a three-year term of office for the President, as was the case until 2008, in order to allow them to give full effect to their political duties outside of and towards the Secretariat of the Assembly. The timing is ideal for this, as the reform would not personally affect the incumbent. Rule 15.5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly should therefore be amended in this respect. The same ruling should also apply to the chairpersons of the committees (Rule 46.7 of the Rules of Procedure) and the sub-committees (Rule 49.7).

Signed (see overleaf)



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