

Motion adopted by the Committee on General Affairs that Austria be invited to become a member of the Council of Europe (8 December 1951)

Caption: On 8 December 1951, the Committee on General Affairs of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe adopts a motion which proposes that Austria should be invited to accede to the Council of Europe.

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Motion that Austria be invited to become a Member of the Council of Europe, adopted by the Committee on General Affairs for submission to the Assembly (Strasbourg, 8th December, 1951)

The Assembly,

- Considering that the Austrian people are an integral part of Europe,
- Considering that they have widely contributed to the spread of culture and to the progress of Western civilization,
- Considering that the Allied Powers, by solemn declaration, undertook during the second world war, as one of their principal tasks, the liberation of the Austrian people and its restoration to full independence,
- Considering that the Austrian people are a true democracy and acknowledge the principle of the Right of Law and the Right of Man to the Fundamental Freedoms,
- Considering that it would therefore be just that this people should be invited to accede to the Council of Europe,

Expresses the wish that the Committee of Ministers seize the first appropriate opportunity to invite Austria to become a Member of the Council of Europe.