Recommendation RecChL(2010)3
of the Committee of Ministers
on the application of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages by Hungary

(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 10 March 2010
at the 1079th meeting of the Ministers’ Deputies)

The Committee of Ministers,

In accordance with Article 16 of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages;

Having regard to the instrument of ratification submitted by Hungary on 26 April 1995;

Having taken note of the evaluation made by the Committee of Experts of the Charter with respect to the
application of the Charter by Hungary;

Bearing in mind that this evaluation is based on information submitted by Hungary in its fourth periodical
report, supplementary information given by the Hungarian authorities, information submitted by bodies and
associations legally established in Hungary and the information obtained by the Committee of Experts during
its on-the-spot visit,

Recommends that the Hungarian authorities take account of all the observations and recommendations of
the Committee of Experts and, as a matter of priority:

1. develop a structured long-term policy and plan for education in all regional or minority languages and
set up a dedicated monitoring mechanism, as envisaged by Article 8, 1(i) of the Charter;

2. improve further the financial situation of minority language education and increase the stability of
resourcing;

3. increase bilingual education at all stages with a view to moving from the model of only teaching the
language as a subject to bilingual education in Part III languages, and increase accordingly the number of
teachers able to teach subjects in these languages;

4. improve the offer of minority language programmes on television and develop and finance a
comprehensive scheme for the training of journalists and other media staff using minority languages;

5. take steps to ensure that the relevant judicial and administrative authorities implement the
obligations under Articles 9 and 10 of the Charter, in particular by specifying those judicial and administrative
districts where organisational measures should be taken and informing speakers of regional or minority
languages of their rights under Articles 9 and 10.

6. take further resolute measures in language planning for Romani and Beás with a view to making
available on a wider scale teaching of and in these languages at all appropriate stages.