



Recommendation CM/RecChL(2016)5 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 14 December 2016 at the 1273bis 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 sixth 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 minority languages;

2. further increase bilingual education at all levels with a view to moving from the model of only teaching the minority 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;

3. take further resolute measures in order to improve the educational offer of Romani and Beás at all levels of education;

4. take measures to encourage speakers of minority languages to use them in their contacts with judicial and administrative authorities;

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