

THE CONGRESS OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES

Resolution 383 (2015)¹ Verification of new members' credentials

The Congress:

1. takes note of the increase in the number of members of the Turkish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly (from 12 to 18 representatives and substitutes) following the decision of the Committee of Ministers of 16 June 2015, in accordance with Article 2.3 of the Charter of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, which stipulates that a member State has the right to the same number of seats in the Congress as in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe;

2. in accordance with its revised charter adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 8 July 2015:

a. congratulates the national delegations of all member States on their genuine readiness to concretely implement the principle of gender balance, as the number of female elected representatives in many delegations now exceeds the 30% threshold set by the Congress Charter;

b. asks national delegations to remind their authorities that the next renewal session of all national delegations will take place in October 2016. Governments will be invited to send their proposal for a new delegation before July 2016;

3. proposes that the credentials of the members of the national delegations, as contained in the appendix,² be approved.

1. Debated and adopted by the Congress on 20 October 2015, 1st Sitting (see Document [CG/2015\(29\)2FINAL](#), rapporteurs: Gaye Doganoglu, Turkey (L, EPP/CEE) and Leen Verbeek, Netherlands (R, SOC).

2. Due to its size the appendix to this resolution is not reproduced here. It is available online.