RESOLUTION 2011-03
Fara Armânească dit România

The Assembly of Delegates of the Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN), adopts at its meeting in Eisenstadt/Želiezno, Austria of 3 June 2011 the following resolution,

submitted by the Arman Community of Romania (CARo):

CARo expects and calls upon:

Romania

1. Providing a legal framework to ensure full and effective equality before the law of all ethnic groups to prevent discrimination against one ethnic group in relation to another ethnic group;
2. Taking into consideration of solutions leading to the settlement of legislation in force, in order to guarantee the necessary conditions for that the Arman ethnic group can benefit from the measures of protection for persons belonging to national minorities;
3. Implementation of legal instruments allowing the ethnic groups participation in decision-making related to them, in order to protect them from discrimination;
4. Cooperation and strengthening dialogue between the Arman ethnic group and authorities in order to promote mutual respect and understanding;
5. Formal institutional support to ensure funding for cultural activities, education, media, for religious services in the native language, and for editing publications in Arman language.

Balkan Countries

Compliance by the governments of the states in the Balkan Peninsula, where Armans live, of the commitments taken in the field of human rights of persons belonging to national minorities.

Compliance with the basic right of freedom of identity of Armans by creating and ensuring a consistent institutional framework enabling them the affirmation of their own identity.

Council of Europe and European Parliament

Encouraging Member States to ensure specific rights of persons belonging to national minorities and to promote strategies and policies to facilitate non-discrimination and equal opportunities for the affirmation of ethnic identity;

Setting up working meetings between Armans representatives, and the bodies of these institutions in order to settle and get support for the preservation and promotion of specific identity.
Getting involved and watching over the implementation of Recommendation 1333/1997 on the Aromanian language and culture, in all the Balkan states where Armans formed compact communities (Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Macedonia, Romania, Serbia), to avoid their imminent extinction.

Monitoring of the Balkan countries where Armans live for evaluating how specific rights for Armans are respected (right to identity, right to education in their native language, religious service in their native language, mass-media) and the implementation in these countries of European treaties and conventions with mandatory legal authorities (Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages, etc.).