

**Motion 74/XI of the Parliament of Catalonia, on the Catalan broadcasting space**

Proceeding 302-00089/11

Plenary Assembly of the Parliament of Catalonia

At the sitting held on 1 December 2016, in accordance with Article 158 of the Rules of Procedure, the Plenary Assembly debated the Motion subsequent to the interpellation to the Government of Catalonia on the Catalan broadcasting space (proceeding 302-00089/11) presented by the deputy Albert Botran i Pahissa, of the Parliamentary Group Candidatura d'Unitat Popular - Crida Constituent (People's Unity Candidacy - Constituent Call) and the amendments tabled by the Parliamentary Group of Catalunya Sí que es Pot (Catalonia Yes We Can) (reg. no. 43864) and the parliamentary group of Together for Yes (reg. no. 43893).

Finally, in accordance with the provisions of Article 158 of the Rules of Procedure, the Parliament passed the following

Motion

1. The Parliament of Catalonia urges the Catalan Broadcasting Corporation (CCMA) to organize a public act of recognition of all groups, organizations, institutions and individuals who have fought since 1983 to extend the broadcasts of TV3 beyond the strict limits of Catalonia.
2. The Parliament of Catalonia expresses the desire for there to be a greater presence of the different Catalan-speaking territories in the programming of the media of the CCMA and, to this end, it urges the Government to support the Governing Council of the CCMA with the following aims:
  - a) To strengthen news reporting on Northern Catalonia.
  - b) To accept as a goal, after analysing the technical and budgetary needs, of establishing a territorial disconnection for Northern Catalonia similar to those existing for the territories of Barcelona, Girona, Lleida, Tarragona and Aran.
  - c) To increase the presence of information on the Valencian Country, the Balearic Islands, Northern Catalonia, the Franja de Ponent, Andorra and Alghero.
  - d) To accept the commitment to incorporate in the next framework mandate of the CCMA a greater presence of the other Catalan-speaking areas, such as in the guests invited to news, opinion and entertainment programmes and in the reports of in-house productions.
3. The Parliament of Catalonia confirms the need to support, with regard to decision-making capacity, the Governing Council of the CCMA, the directors of the media and their professional boards in order to ensure that their respective channels progressively increase, as appropriate, radio and television programming in Occitan throughout Catalonia with the aim of reaching a minimum of fifteen



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hours a week. This programming should be materialized in a wide range of programming for children and young people, entertainment, news and current affairs, with a special information content to explain the reality of Aran (and in Occitan) in Catalonia; also, in accordance with Article 19.1 of Law 35/2010, on Occitan (Aranese in Aran), collaboration with the media in Occitan outside Catalonia must be ensured.

4. The Parliament of Catalonia urges the Government of Catalonia to take the following actions:

- a) To intensify coordination and political and technical commitments with the competent bodies and the respective governments of all the territories of the Catalan linguistic domain so as to guarantee total broadcasting of the media of the CCMA in these territories and to promote total reciprocity of the public broadcasting media in Catalan in the whole linguistic domain.
- b) To intensify the coordination of commitments with the Government of the Valencian Country to guarantee full broadcasting of TV3 and Catalunya Ràdio there, and to present a specific schedule of the agreements between the two governments and the commitments arising therefrom.
- c) To meet representatives of civil society in the Valencian Country who have traditionally come out against the closure of the broadcasts of TV3 and Catalunya Ràdio and in favour of restoring them.
- d) To coordinate with the governments of the respective territories so that the programming and broadcasts of audiovisual products of public media may be the same all over the linguistic domain, in order to optimize resources without neglecting rights of ownership and exploitation.
- e) To develop a project for a Council for the Broadcasting Space in Catalan for submission to the other governments of the territories of the Catalan Countries with the aim of strengthening coordination and joint strategies for production and programming of content.

5. The Parliament of Catalonia urges the Government of Catalonia, through the Catalan Secretariat for Foreign Affairs, to take the necessary steps to ensure that the European Commission and the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe, respectively, adopt a position before the relevant authorities on the linguistic rights of more than ten million European citizens, as recognized in Directive 2010/13/EU, regulating the free movement of broadcasts, and the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (ECRML).

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