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**Recommendation RecChL(2009)4  
of the Committee of Ministers  
on the application of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages by Armenia**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 23 September 2009  
at the 1066th 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 declarations submitted by Armenia on 25 January 2002;

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

Bearing in mind that this evaluation is based on information submitted by Armenia in its national report, supplementary information provided by the Armenian authorities, information submitted by bodies and associations legally established in Armenia and information obtained by the Committee of Experts during its "on-the-spot" visit;

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

1. develop a structured policy to make available sufficient teacher training and up-dated teaching materials in Assyrian, Yezidi and Kurdish at all levels;
2. ensure the use of regional or minority languages before courts and inform courts and the public on the rights and duties related to Article 9 of the Charter;
3. take measures to improve the presence of Assyrian and Greek on radio, and of Assyrian, Yezidi and Kurdish on television;
4. clarify whether there are regional or minority languages used in Armenia other than those mentioned in Armenia's instrument of ratification.