

BALTIC ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION

Concerning the Cooperation between the Baltic States in the Regulation of Immigration and Repatriation Processes

After the restoration of independence of the Baltic States and the withdrawal of occupation troops, the character of migration underwent essential changes. During the years of occupation the uncontrolled and artificial migration from the former Soviet Union created an undesirable and, in certain places, even a critical ethnic situation which potentially endangers the national identity and integrity, the protection of civil and social rights of the population and the sovereignty of the Baltic States.

The Baltic States should continue to strengthen the legal basis for controlling the migration processes and should strive for the harmonisation of the relevant laws to the analogous European legal acts.

The Baltic Assembly recommends to Baltic Council of Ministers:

1. to develop common legal standards and actions in the resolution of the problems of migration, repatriation, and the status of foreigners.

2. to develop joint communications and information systems between the border and customs services for efficient and coordinated control of borders with other states.

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