



## Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

### Statement on reported cases of political prisoners in Azerbaijan: follow-up to Resolution 2322 (2020)

1. The Committee refers to Assembly Resolution 2322 (2020) on reported cases of political prisoners in Azerbaijan. It endorses the report on follow-up to Resolution 2322 (2020) prepared by the rapporteur for follow-up, Ms Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC), in accordance with rule 50.1. of the Assembly's Rules of Procedure,<sup>1</sup> and thanks her for her diligent work.
2. The Committee expresses particular disappointment *inter alia* at the failure of the Azerbaijani delegation to the Assembly to cooperate with the rapporteur in the exercise of her mandate; the continuing failure of the Azerbaijani authorities to implement fully the relevant, binding judgments of the European Court of Human Rights; and the authorities' continuing failure to provide, in a timely fashion, relevant information to the Committee of Ministers on their implementation of these judgments.
3. The Committee strongly encourages the Azerbaijani delegation and authorities to implement promptly and fully Resolution 2322 (2020), which continues to represent the current position of the Assembly on this issue.

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<sup>1</sup> Doc. AS/Jur (2021) 12, as declassified by the Committee at its meeting on 22 June 2021.