

**Recommendation RecChL(2010)2
of the Committee of Ministers
on the application of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages by Norway**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 10 March 2010
at the 1079th 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 instrument of ratification submitted by Norway on 10 November 1993;

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

Bearing in mind that this evaluation is based on information submitted by Norway in its fourth periodical report, supplementary information given by the Norwegian authorities, information submitted by bodies and associations legally established in Norway and the information obtained by the Committee of Experts during its on-the-spot visit,

Having taken note of the comments made by the Norwegian authorities on the contents of the Committee of Experts' report;

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

1. ensure that social and health care institutions within the Sámi Administrative District offer services in North Sámi;
2. clarify the status of the Lule and South Sámi languages in relation to Part III of the Charter;
3. continue their efforts to provide teaching in/of Lule and South Sámi, including the development of teaching materials and teacher training;
4. continue their efforts to protect and promote the Kven language in particular in education and in the field of broadcast media;
5. take measures to develop language education in Romani and Romanes in co-operation with the speakers.