

**Proposal of amendment to Article 11 of CALRE rules approved by the Standing Committee
at its meeting in Brussels on 23rd February, 2011**

Amendment 1

(Amendment to Article 11 of CALRE rules)

After paragraph 1 of Article 11 of CALRE rules, the following paragraph is inserted:

"1.bis. The Vice-President whose mandate expires for any reason is replaced by his successor in the Legislative Assembly of origin "

REPORT

Article 11 of the CALRE rules under the heading "The Vice-President" now provides that " The former President acts as Vice-President for one year after his/her term of office".

At its meeting in Brussels on February 23rd 2011, the majority of the members of the Standing Committee voted to integrate this rule in order to regulate the manner of appointment of the CALRE Vice-President when his mandate in the Legislative Regional Assembly of origin ends.

After paragraph 1 of article 11, the Committee therefore proposed to introduce the following paragraph:

"1.bis. The Vice-President whose mandate as regional President expires for any reason is replaced by his successor in the Legislative Assembly of origin. "

This amendment aims to ensure the continuity of "management" within CALRE bodies and is also consistent with paragraph 3 of Article 9 of the CALRE Rules which regulates the replacement of CALRE President, providing that: " If the mandate of the President of the Assembly that organizes the conference expires, his/her successor shall take his/her place "

Proposal of amendment to Article 12 of CALRE Rules

Amendment No. 2

(Replacement of Article 12 of CALRE Rules)

Article 12 of CALRE Rules is replaced by the following one:

"Article 12 - Composition"

1. The Standing Committee is formed by the President of the present Conference, the Vice President, one President per State and the Chairmen of the working groups.
2. **Each Member State** is responsible for nominating their representatives to the Standing Committee and informs CALRE **promptly** on an annual basis. **In those States in which the number of regional legislative Assemblies is less than or equal to three, the designated President may delegate another member of the Regional Legislative Assembly of origin or a component of another regional Legislative Assembly of the same State. "**

REPORT

Article 12 of CALRE Rules, dedicated to the composition of the Standing Committee, in paragraph 1, provides that: "The Standing Committee is formed by the President of the present Conference, the Vice-President, one President per State, a delegation per member state and the Chairmen of the working groups".

At its meeting in Santiago de Compostela on 24 June 2011, the Standing Committee voted unanimously on President Pagano's proposal to submit the proposal to delete the words "a delegation per member state" to the Assembly as it seemed to be a repetition of one President of a Regional Legislative Assembly per State, thus generating confusion and vagueness about who has the right to vote in the Standing Committee.

At the same meeting of the Standing Committee, the need to recognize the possibility for the President of the Legislative Assembly unable to attend one or more sessions of the Committee to delegate someone else on his behalf emerged.

Following the open debate on this topic and considering that:



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- the majority of its members believe that the Standing Committee should be composed only of Presidents of Regional Legislative Assemblies (see the proposal of the President of the Legislative Assembly of Galicia, Pilar Rojo Noguera);
- only three regions in the United Kingdom, two regions in Portugal and one region in Finland have a Legislative Assembly

it was decided to redraft Article 12 taking into account both the needs in order to encourage the participation of representatives of the Member States in the CALRE Committee meetings.

The amendment, therefore, provides generally that Presidents of Legislative Assemblies should attend the meetings of the Committee, as proposed by the President of Galicia.

For those States where only few regions have a Legislative Assembly, the possibility to delegate another member of the Regional Legislative Assembly of the designated President or a component of another Regional Legislative Assembly of his State of origin is recognized.