

Republika e Kosovës

Republika Kosova - Republic of Kosovo

Kuvendi - Skupština - Assembly

6th Legislature Spring session

The Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo, pursuant to Article 65 (1) of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo and Article 52 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, at the Extraordinary Session held on 31st of January and 1st of February 2018 on the alarming condition of air quality, following the parliamentary debate, in harmony with all parliamentary groups, issues this:

Resolution

- 1. The protection of the environment shall become a state priority of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo.
- 2. It is required from the Government of the Republic of Kosovo to revise and supplement with additional measures the National Strategy for Environmental Protection and Renewable Energy Sources within the first semester of 2018.
- 3. To place the appropriate quality electro-filters to KEK power plants by the end of calendar year 2018.
- 4. To conduct fuel and gas quality control according to the applicable laws, and to provide the necessary capacity by the end of the first semester of 2018 to ensure quality control.
- 5. To allocate the budget for the isolation of public buildings (health and education facilities shall be treated with priority) to ensure sufficient energy and heat and environmentally acceptable heating.
- 6. The Government is obliged to consider the possibility to allocate additional budget that would be added to the funds already dedicated by the MCC (US Millennium Challenge Corporation) in the amount of US \$ 22 million, with the aim of assisting the projects that are interrelated with efficiency.
- 7. Increase capital investments for the "Termokos" Heating Plant by providing additional funds for the doubling of the cogeneration capacity, from 140 MW of current thermal energy to 280 MW of thermal energy, in order to expedite the heating network in all wards of the capital where this is possible through the Cogeneration Project. Also, create opportunities for other cities to relate to this project, within two years.
- 8. Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning shall coordinate with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development, based on the requirements of the respective municipalities and institutions, in accordance with the revised National Environmental Protection Strategy for seedling planting, the creation of new green spaces as well as to look at the possibility of implementing advanced technology equipment such as smart trees.

- 9. The Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo shall require from the polluted municipalities to urgently revise the policies for subsidizing citizens using heating with environmentally harmful fuels and to create mechanisms for the cleanest heating.
- 10. Government shall take a decision to ban the use of coal for heating of collective buildings.
- 11. The Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo requests from the Government of Kosovo respectively the relevant ministry that investors interested in investments in capacity building with Renewable Energy Resources should assist them with the necessary documentation and permissions to start building these new capacities, based on Renewable Energy Sources.
- 12. Concrete steps shall be undertaken for the connection to the gas pipeline through Albania, which creates the possibility of using gas, which would have environmental and economic benefits.
- 13. Kosovo Government shall undertake concrete steps to assist cities affected by air pollution in building a fleet for public transport while also looking at capacity building opportunities for modern electrical transport.
- 14. Waste landfills shall be managed effectively and controlled strictly.
- 15. Government is required to take measures to ensure the quality of the technical control of vehicles, according to the laws in force, EU directives, with particular emphasis on the control of the quality of the gases emitted by these vehicles.
 - 16. Government and relevant institutions are required to respect all applicable laws related to environmental pollution, where as municipal and state inspectorates are required to monitor the situation in accordance with the law.
 - 17. Creative projects in view of improving the current disturbing air pollution situation shall be encouraged and supported.
 - 18. If the Government of Kosovo fails to implement the proposed measures, the Kosovo Assembly shall initiate procedures for amendments to article 52 of the Kosovo Constitution so that the right to clean air and water is included as a right guaranteed by the Constitution.

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Speaker of the Assembly

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Resolution shall be submitted to:

- Government of Republic of Kosovo,
- Parliamentary groups,
- Assembly archive.