

Resolution on the rule of law and respect for the law

As an international organization of democratic political parties defending the values and principles of integral humanism based on the recognition of internationally accepted human rights, CDI-IDC:

- Reaffirms its complete commitment to the fundamentals of the democratic system, including the separation of power, the rule of law and respect for universal human rights;
- Acknowledges that in democratic states based on the rule of law norms can be modified by lawful means, by institutions recognized by the constitution, based on a political agreement approved a majority of citizens, and without infringing on the rights and obligations of the majority;
- Reaffirms that in mature and modern democracies, the constitutional order of a country should always be respected and never cast into doubt, as they underpin the values of freedom, responsibility, justice and solidarity;
- Exhorts the international community to reject all forms of extremism, radicalism or an unfounded desire of a minority to undercut the constitutional order recognized by the whole of the citizenry. The breach of national sovereignty, the constitution, law and the rule of law of a country cannot be a bargaining chip of a minority set on breaking the peaceful cohabitation of citizens;
- Specifically, CDI-IDC supports the recent decisions by the government of Spain to defend, in an exemplary manner, the principles and values of the rule of law in the face of an unconstitutional challenge by the previous government of the Generalitat of Catalonia. It considers that the Spanish democratic system is mature, that the separation of powers is fully enacted and that human rights are respected. The unilateral declaration of independence undermines every legal foundation and internationally subscribed agreements. CDI-IDC therefore advocates a return to the normal course of the constitution approved by the entire Spanish people and the undertaking of efforts, as soon as possible, to mitigate the economic and social consequences of this act and the speedy return to the path of economic growth and peaceful cohabitation in Spain.
- Recognizes that for creation and establishment of the Rule of Law beforehand we must be sure with civilized people, where there is a fair balance between the urban area and rural areas with large middle classes. Therefore, we urge to increase the assistance to these countries to consolidate this principle if they have the will and wish for a civil state and the rule of law.