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## **02-08-2011 Respecting European laws is still a very sensible topic in Romania.**

On 26-07-2011 the treasurer of the foundation placed a sticker on the illegal an monolingual plaque of Iorga, which has been placed on the 23th of may next to the statue of king Matthias in Cluj –Napoca, (Hungarian Kolozsvár). The sticker contains the following text. **Where is the Hungarian inscription? We live here as well. Start to respect European Laws right now.** 'Unfortunately respecting European treaties concerning language rights and civil rights is still a very sensible theme in Romania. Although Romania ratified the [Charta for regional languages in 2008](#), many language rights deriving from this treaty, such as receiving basic public information in Hungarian as well are still denied. [You can read our press release here.](#) (Dutch language only) The video's of this action can be viewed under the multimedia section [or by pressing this link.](#) The video clearly shows that this plaque is guarded by the city council of Cluj-Napoca.



**Cluj—Napoca Kolozsvar is a city with official Hungarian language facilities according to the Romanian governemtal decree 1415 of 2002.**

## **02.07.2011 Missing Hungarian Language inscription at the Police Stations is discrimination.**



Recently the anti discrimination Council of Bucharest [ordered](#) that missing bilingual signs at Romanian police stations are discriminative. According to the Romanian 215/2001 law on public administration bilingual language services are obligatory at ever public institution, which lays within a region where at least 20 % of the population was ethnic Hungarian in 1992. Tordaszentlászlo (Romanian : Savadisla ) is consisting for over 50 % of ethnic Hungarians nevertheless not a single Hungarian word can be found at the police station. A list of municipalities where the Hungarian language can be used in public administration [can be found here](#). We hope that the policy of Cluj County will start to comply with law soon. The verdict of the anti discrimination [council can be read here](#). (Romanian Language Version only)

## **02-08-2011 Romania Ratified Language rights are neglected.**

As a prerequisite for joining the European Union Romania ratified several treaties which ensure language rights for its autonomous people. ([the basic treaty with Hungary](#), the [Strasbourg framework for the protection of minorities](#), the [European Charta for regional languages](#) amongst others. ) According to these language rights the Hungarian language is an official language in all those administrative regions, where the amount of ethnic Hungarians was over 20 % in 1992. According to these laws oral and verbal Hungarian language communication is possible with the city council, the police, hospital, tax authorities, airport, county council etc. These language rights are not known of and consistently neglected by the Romanian authorities. You can read more about language rights on the following portal. <http://www.language-rights.eu>



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