

Thursday 11 February 1999

16. EC-Israel scientific and technical cooperation Agreement *

A4-0035/99

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Decision concluding the Agreement for scientific and technical cooperation between the European Community and the State of Israel (COM(98)0457 – C4-0555/98 – 98/0241(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal for a Council Decision, COM(98)0457 – 98/0241(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to Article 130u of the EC Treaty,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 228 (3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty (C4-0555/98),
- having regard to Rule 90(7) of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (A4-0035/99),

1. Approves the conclusion of the Agreement;
2. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission and to the governments and parliament of the Member States and the State of Israel.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 283, 12.9.1998, p. 5.

17. Situation in Kosovo

B4-0170, 0171, 0172, 0214, 0215 and 0216/99

Resolution on the situation in Kosovo

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on the situation in Kosovo and in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia,
 - having regard to UN Security Council Resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998) and 1203 (1998),
 - having regard to the agreements signed in October 1998 between the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the OSCE on the one hand and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the NATO on the other hand,
 - having regard to the decision of the Contact Group taken on 29 January 1999 to negotiate an interim political settlement between the parties to the conflict at a meeting to be held in Rambouillet on 6 February 1999,
 - having regard to the outcome of the meeting of the North Atlantic Council of 30 January 1999 in Brussels,
 - having regard to the statement by the Permanent Council of the OSCE of 1 February 1999,
- A. whereas there is a continuation of the violations of the most basic human rights, the process of ethnic cleansing and the brutal aggression carried out by the Yugoslav and Serbian forces against the civilian population of Kosovo,
- B. whereas a massacre of Kosovo Albanians in the village of Racak took place on 15 January 1999 and there have been further killings of civilians in Kosovo, which has once more resulted in several thousands people fleeing their homes,