

Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the conservation of wild birds (codified version)

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On 3 April 2009 the Council decided to consult the European Economic and Social Committee, under Article 175 (1) of the Treaty establishing the European Community, on the

'Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the conservation of wild birds (Codified Version)'

Since the Committee unreservedly endorses the contents of the proposal and has already set out its views on the subject in its earlier opinion, adopted on 25 May 1977 (*), the opinion adopted on 14 September 1994 (**) and the opinion adopted on 22 April 2008 (***) it decided, at its 454th plenary session, held on 10 and 11 June 2009 (meeting of 10 June 2009), by 110 votes in favour and 5 abstentions to issue an opinion endorsing the proposal and to refer to the position it had taken in the above-mentioned documents.

Brussels, 10 June 2009.

The President
of the European Economic and Social Committee
Mr Mario SEPI

(*) Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee on the *Proposal for a Council Directive on bird conservation* — OJ C 152 on 29.6.1977, p. 3.

(**) Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on the *Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds (94/C 393/19)* — OJ C 393 on 31.12.1994, p. 93.

(***) Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on *Adaptation to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny/ Proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending, as regards the implementing powers conferred on the Commission, Council Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds* — OJ C 211 on 19.08.2008, p. 46.