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*(Information)*

## EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

1980/81 SESSION

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Sittings from 14 to 18 April 1980

Palais de l'Europe — Strasbourg

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF MONDAY, 14 APRIL 1980

IN THE CHAIR: MRS VEIL

*President**(The sitting was opened at 5 p.m.)*

## 1. Resumption of session

The President declared resumed the session of the European Parliament adjourned on 26 March 1980.

## 2. Composition of Parliament

The President announced that she had been informed, pursuant to Rule 4 (4), that Mr Emilio Colombo had

been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Government of the Italian Republic.

She stated that Mr Colombo had sent her a telegram tendering his resignation.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Treaty, Parliament established that there was a vacancy and duly informed the Member State concerned.

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### 3. Petitions

The President announced that she had received:

- a petition from Mr Giuseppe L'Insalata on the release of Italian prisoners of war held in the USSR,
- a petition from Mrs Ph. Pjeters-Hochstenbach, on behalf of the farmers' wives of Gronsveld, on the situation of farmers' families,
- a petition from Mrs E. Horsmans-Lubbers, agricultural delegate for Meerssen, on a fair standard of living for farmers,
- a petition from the Belgian Section of the European Veterans' Confederation on moral and civic instruction in primary and secondary school curricula,
- a petition from Mr Ezio Bacino, on behalf of the Association of European Journalists, on the safeguard of Venice,
- a petition from Mr Cicerone Ionitoiu and others on an appeal on behalf of Remus Radina,
- a petition from Mr Siegfried Zywiets on support from the European Parliament in the search for a solution to three problems,
- a petition from Mrs Lucy Briers and others on unnecessary seal culling,
- a petition from Mr O. P. Patuelli, on behalf of Confeditalia, on the election of Italian members of the European Parliament invalid because of discrimination between citizens of the same country and of the inability of Italians resident abroad to establish their nationality,
- a petition from the Bliestal-Mandelbachtal citizens' initiative group for the protection of the environment/against the lead factory, on the construction of the Delco-Remy (General Motors) lead accumulator factory in Sarreguemines (Moselle, France),
- a petition from Mr Guido Pascapé on uniform laws for European and local elections,
- a petition from the Italian Young Communist Federation (FGCI) — Imola section, on the quest for peace.

These petitions had been given numbers 1 to 12/80 and had been entered in the register provided for in Rule 48 (2). Pursuant to paragraph 3 of that same Rule,

they had been referred to the Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Petitions.

### 4. Documents received

The President announced that she had received:

(a) from the Council, requests for an opinion on:

- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 516/77 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables and amending Regulation (EEC) No 950/68 on the Common Customs Tariff (Doc. 1-56/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 78/170/EEC on the performance of heat generators for space heating and the production of hot water in new or existing non-industrial buildings and on the insulation of heat and domestic hot water distribution in new non-industrial buildings (Doc. 1-62/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Energy and Research;

- communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the guidelines for the European Community's scheme of generalized tariff preferences for the post-1980 period (Doc. 1-67/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Development and Cooperation as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on External Economic Relations for opinions;

- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concluding the Cooperation Agreement between the European Economic Community and Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand — member countries of the Association of the South-East Asian Nations (Doc. 1-68/80)

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which had been referred to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Development and Cooperation for an opinion;

- recommendation on the discharge to be given to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the budget and of the amending and supplementary budgets of the European Communities for the financial year 1978 (Doc. 1-77/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Budgetary Control;

(b) from the committees, the following reports:

- report by Mr Mertens, on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection, on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 195/79) for:

I. a Directive on the limit values for discharges of aldrin, dieldrin and endrin into the aquatic environment of the Community

II. a Directive on the quality objectives required for the aquatic environment into which aldrin, dieldrin and endrin are discharged

(Doc. 1-54/80);

- report by Mrs Fullet, on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection, on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 210/79) for:

I. a Directive on the limit values applicable to discharges of mercury into the aquatic environment by the chlor-alkali electrolysis industry

II. a Directive on the quality objectives for the aquatic environment into which mercury is discharged by the chlor-alkali electrolysis industry.

(Doc. 1-55/80);

- report by Mr Balfour, on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, on the increase in oil prices (Doc. 1-61/80)

- report by Mr Ruffolo, on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, on the EMS as an aspect of the international monetary system (Doc. 1-63/80);

- report by Mr Antoniozzi, on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control, on the discharge to be given to the Commission of the European Communities in respect of the ECSC's financial and budgetary activities for the financial year 1977 and on the report of the Court of Auditors for the financial year 1977 (Doc. 1-457/79) — (Doc. 1-64/80);

- report by Mr Simonnet, on behalf of the Committee on Budgets, on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-631/79) for:

I. a Regulation amending for the third time the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 as regards the use of the ECU in the general budget of the European Communities

II. a Regulation on the replacement of the European unit of account by the ECU in Community legal instruments

(Doc. 1-65/80);

- report by Mr Simonnet, on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control, on an interim report on the administrative expenditure of the European Parliament for the period 1 January/31 December 1979 (financial year 1979) (Doc. 1-70/80);

- report by Mr Rey, on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on the relations between the European Parliament and the Commission of the Communities with a view to the forthcoming appointment of a new Commission (Doc. 1-71/80);

- second report by Mr Provan, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, on sheepmeat (Doc. 1-73/80);

- report by Mr Boyes, on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-596/79) for a Decision concerning an interim programme to combat poverty (Doc. 1-75/80);

- interim report by Mrs Dekker, on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the position of women in the Community (Doc. 1-78/80);

- interim report by Mr Battersby, on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control, on the

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seventh and eighth financial reports on the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund — 1977 and 1978 — Guarantee Section (Doc. 1-79/80);

(c) the following oral questions:

— oral question with debate by Mrs Ewing, Mrs Dienesch, Mr Remilly, Mr Cronin and Mr Nyborg, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, to the Commission on the code of conduct for oil tankers and vessels carrying noxious substances (Doc. 1-59/80/rec.)

— oral questions pursuant to Rule 47A for Question Time on 14 and 16 April 1980 by Mr Dankert, Mr Seal, Mrs Chouraqui, Mr Rossi, Mr Ippolito, Mrs Pruvot, Mr Collins, Mr Rogers, Mr Linde, Mr Berkhouwer, Mr Van Aerssen, Mr Balfe, Mr Dalsass, Mr Provan, Mr Ruffolo, Mrs Ewing, Mr O'Connell, Miss Hooper, Mr Adam, Mr C. Jackson, Sir Peter Vanneck, Mr Poncelet, Mr Ansquer, Mr Welsh, Mr Purvis, Mr Newton Dunn, Mr Griffiths, Mr Remilly, Mrs Barbarella, Mrs Van Den Heuvel, Sir John Stewart-Clark, Mr Pranchere, Mr Combe, Mr Pininfarina, Mrs Desmond, Mr Moreland, Mrs Lizin, Mrs Castle, Mr Normanton, Mr O'Donnell, Mr Maher, Lord Douro, Miss Quin, Mr Forth, Mrs Squarcialupi, Mr von Wogau, Lord O'Hagan, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Clinton, Mr Ligios, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Nyborg, Ms Clwyd, Mrs Chouraqui, Mr Rogers, Mr Linde, Mr Megahy, Mr Fergusson, Mr Tyrrell, Mr O'Connell, Mr Collins, Mr Muntingh, Mr Bettiza, Mr Ansquer, Mrs Ewing, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Krouwel-Vlam, Mr Van Miert, Mr Balfe, Mr De Pasquale, Mr Kavanagh, Ms Clwyd, Mr Rogers, Mrs Ewing, Mr Fergusson, Mr d'Ormesson, Mr Schwartzberg, Mr Hutton, Mr Van Miert, Mr Moreland, Mr Michel, Mr Provan, Mr O'Connell, Mr Tyrrell and Mr Radoux (Doc. 1-72/80);

(d) the following motions for resolutions:

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Ghergo, Mr Costanzo, Mrs Cassanmagnago Cerretti, Mr Narducci, Mr Colleselli, Mr Barbagli, Mr Ligios, Mr Filippi and Mr Bersani, pursuant to Rule 25, on the protection of the consumer against commercial frauds (Doc. 1-50/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Budgetary Control as the committee responsible,

and to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Newton Dunn, Mr Seligman, Mr Sherlock, Miss Hooper, Mr Pearce, Mr Forth, Mr Howell and Mr Spicer, pursuant to Rule 25, concerning pesticides which contain traces of dioxine (Doc. 1-51/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection;

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Buchou, Mr Davern, Mr de la Malène, Mr Ansquer, Mr Chirac, Mrs Chouraqui, Mr Cronin, Mr Debré, Mr Deleau, Mrs Dienesch, Mr Druon, Mr Flanagan, Mr Gillot, Mr Labbé, Mr Lalor, Mr Messmer, Mr Nyborg, Mr Poncelet, Mr Remilly, Miss de Valera and Mrs Weiss, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, pursuant to Rule 25, on the improvement and strengthening of the common agricultural policy (Doc. 1-52/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible, and to the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on External Economic Relations, the Committee on Regional Policy and Regional Planning, the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Development and Cooperation for opinions;

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Carossino, Mr Cardia, Mr Fanti, Mr Ceravolo, Mr De Pasquale, Mr Gouthier and Mr Spinelli, pursuant to Rule 25, on the amending of the proposals concerning aid to projects of Community interest in the field of transport infrastructures; inclusion of ports and airports amongst the infrastructures which may be financed by the Community (Doc. 1-53/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Transport as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Baudis, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, pursuant to Rule 25, on the transport of dangerous materials (Doc. 1-57/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Transport as the committee responsible and to



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the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection for an opinion;

- motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Romualdi, Mr Petronio, Mr Almirante and Mr Buttafucoco, pursuant to Rule 25, on subsidence in Ravenna (Doc. 1-58/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Regional Policy and Regional Planning as the committee responsible, and to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Budgets for opinions;

- motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Pininfarina, pursuant to Rule 25, on the destination of Community aid for rice seed (Doc. 1-69/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

- motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Glinne, Mrs Van Den Heuvel, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Colla, Mr Cariglia, Mr Lomas, Mr Linde, Mr Pelikan, Mr Estier, Mrs Gredal and Mr Van Minnen, pursuant to Rule 25, on apartheid in South Africa (Doc. 1-80/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Development and Cooperation for an opinion;

- (e) — report drawn up by the Commission of the European Communities on the financial situation of the Communities at 31 December 1979 (Doc. 1-76/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Budgetary Control;

- (f) — from the EEC-Turkey Association Council, the Fourteenth Annual Report on the activities of the EEC-Turkey Association Council (1 January to 31 December 1978) (Doc. 1-60/80)

which has been referred to the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Turkey Association;

- from the EEC-Greece Association Council, a report on the activities of the EEC-Greece Association Council (May 1978 to April 1979) (Doc. 1-66/80)

which had been referred to the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Greece Association;

## 5. Texts of treaties forwarded by the Council

The President announced that she had received from the Council certified true copies of the following documents:

- Cooperation Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Asean countries;
- act of notification of the approval by the Community of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Hong Kong on trade in textile products;

## 6. Transfer of appropriations

The President announced that the Council had informed her that, in accordance with Article 101 of the Financial Regulation, it had approved, on 9 April 1980, the transfer of appropriations within the budget estimates of the EAGGF Guarantee Section for the financial year 1979 dealt with in document COM(80) 135 final.

Parliament took note of this information.

## 7. Reference to committee

The President announced that the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Battersby and Mr Harris, pursuant to Rule 25, on the establishment of a European Fisheries Centre (Doc. 1-28/80), receipt of which had been announced on 24 March 1980 (*see item 4 of the minutes of that date*) and which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Youth, Culture, Education, Information and Sport for an opinion, had now also been referred to the Committee on Energy and Research for an opinion.

## 8. Cancellation of a document

The President announced that Doc. 1-606/79 (Annual Reports on the progress achieved towards European

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Union), receipt of which had been announced on 14 January 1980 (*see item 6 of the minutes of that date*), had been cancelled.

9. Statement by the President concerning motions for resolutions Docs. 1-444/79, 1-644/79, and 1-663/79

The President announced that the chairman of the Political Affairs Committee had informed her that his committee had decided not to draw up reports on:

- the motion for a resolution by Mr Bocklet and others on the conduct of Members of the Commission (Doc. 1-444/79), which had been referred to it on 26 October 1979 (*see item 2 of the minutes of that date*) in view of the fact that Parliament had already to a certain extent stated its position on this matter in its resolution of 14 December 1979 (*see item 16 of the minutes of that date*) and also that the question had been dealt with in the report on relations between Parliament and the Commission in the context of the latter's forthcoming renewal (Doc. 1-71/80);
- the motion for a resolution by Mr Coppieters on events in Afghanistan (Doc. 1-644/79), which had been referred to it on 14 January 1980 (*see item 6 of the minutes of that date*);
- the motion for a resolution by Mr Romualdi and others on the invasion of Afghanistan (Doc. 1-663/79), which had been referred to it on 16 January 1980 (*see item 2 of the minutes of that date*) in view of Parliament's adoption on 16 January 1980 of the resolution on Soviet intervention in Afghanistan (*see item 16 of the minutes of that date*).

10. Order of business

The President pointed out that the draft agenda for the part-session, drawn up by the enlarged Bureau pursuant to Rule 12, had been distributed.

The following item had been withdrawn;

- Muntingh report on the conservation of European Wildlife (which had not been adopted in committee).

*Urgent debate*

The President announced that she had received:

- a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Glinne and Mr O'Connell, on behalf of the Socialist Group, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, condemning the assassination of Archbishop Romero (Doc. 1-74/80);
- a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Diligent, Mr Seitlinger, Mr Langes, Mr Janssen van Raay, Mr Konrad Schön, Mr Fischbach, Mr Penders, Mr Colleselli, Mr Ryan, Mrs Boot, Mr Hahn, Mr Macario, Mr Helms, Mrs Lentz-Cornette, Mr Michel, Mr Simonnet, Mr Pöttering, Mrs Schleicher, Mrs Lenz, Mrs Maij-Weggen, Mr Hoffmann and Mr Schall on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr Baudis on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the granting of asylum to Cuban citizens (Doc. 1-84/80)

The reasons supporting the requests for urgent debate were contained in the documents themselves.

- from the Council, a request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14 on the proposal for a Regulation laying down, for 1980, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the Swedish flag (Doc. 1-35/80).

This request for urgency was justified by the fact that current arrangements were due to expire on 30 April 1980.

Pursuant to Rule 14 (1) second subparagraph, she would consult Parliament on these three requests for urgent debate at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

*Amendment of the agenda*

She had also received two proposals to amend the draft agenda, pursuant to Rule 12:

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- Sir Fred Catherwood, *Chairman of the Committee on External Economic Relations*, had asked for an interim report by Mr Seal on the commercial and economic cooperation agreement between the Community and India to be included in the agenda.

The President indicated in this connection that the political group chairmen had expressed the wish, at a meeting held that morning, that this report be considered instead at the May part-session, thus giving the Committee on Development and Cooperation the opportunity of delivering an opinion.

Mr Seal and Sir Fred Catherwood spoke.

Parliament agreed to Sir Fred Catherwood's request.

On a proposal from the President, this interim report was included on the agenda for Thursday, 17 April, as the last item.

- Mr Pranchère, Mr Ansart, Mr Baillot, Mr Chambeiron, Mr Damette, Mrs De March, Mr Denis, Mr Fernandez, Mr Frischmann, Mr Gremetz, Mrs Hoffmann, Mrs Le Roux, Mr Maffre-Baugé, Mr Marchais, Mr Martin, Mr Piquet, Mrs Poirier, Mr Verges and Mr Wurtz had requested that a new debate on the fixing of agricultural prices be placed on the agenda of that part-session.

The President explained that this request had reached her after the end of the meeting of the chairmen of the political groups which had been held that morning.

Mr Pranchère, Mr Bangemann and Mr Sutra spoke.

Parliament rejected the request by Mr Pranchère and others.

Parliament adopted the following agenda for that part-session:

*That afternoon until 8 p.m.:*

- procedure without report;
- Commission statement on action taken on the opinions and proposals of Parliament;
- Question Time (questions to the Commission: 1½ hours);
- Wawrzik report on food aid to Cambodia.

*Tuesday, 15 April 1980*

*9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:*

- decision on urgency;
- joint debate on the Delmotte report on the fourth annual report on the ERDF and an oral question to the Commission on the inclusion of the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process;
- Van Miert report on human rights in Chile;
- Antoniozzi report on the situation in Nicaragua;
- Hänsch report on human rights in Czechoslovakia;
- Gonella report on a right of residence of nationals of a Member State in another Member State.

*3 p.m.:*

- voting time.

*Wednesday, 16 April 1980*

*9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:*

- joint debate on the Rey report on relations between Parliament and the Commission, the motion for a resolution by Mr Scott-Hopkins and others on the report by the Committee of Wise Men on the European institutions and the Blumenfeld report on Greece's accession to the Community;
- Ruffolo report on the European monetary system.

*5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.:*

- Question Time (questions to the Council and Foreign Ministers).

*Thursday, 17 April 1980*

*10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. until 12 midnight:*

- possibly, continuation of Tuesday's agenda;
- Linde report on energy saving;
- joint debate on an oral question to the Commission on the surveillance of shipping routes and an oral question to the Commission on the code of conduct for oil tankers;

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- Seligman report on an EAEC research and development programme on the plutonium cycle;
- Poncelet report on textiles and clothing;
- oral question with debate to the Commission on the World Conservation Strategy;
- the Muntingh report on the conservation of wildlife had been withdrawn from the agenda;
- Nyborg report on public supply contracts;
- oral question with debate to the Commission on defective products;
- Maij-Weggen report on colouring matters in foodstuffs;
- Combe report on intra-Community trade in fresh meat;
- Seal interim report on the EEC/India Cooperation Agreement.

3 p.m.:

- voting time.

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9 a.m.:

- procedure without report;
- possibly, continuation of the previous day's agenda.

10.30 a.m.:

- voting time;
- von Wogau report on the rules applicable in international travel;
- Nyborg report on the stores of vessels, aircraft, etc.;
- Mihr report on the noise emission of construction plant;
- von Wogau report on binary textile fibre mixtures (without debate);
- Luster report on health problems upon importation of animals (without debate);
- Simonnet interim report on Parliament's administrative expenditure for 1979;

- Ed. Kellett-Bowman report on the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions.

*End of sitting:*

- voting time.

**11. Speaking time**

On a proposal from the President made in agreement with the enlarged Bureau, Parliament decided, pursuant to Rules 28 and 36A, to allocate speaking time as follows:

— *Overall speaking time for the items of Tuesday's agenda (15 April):*

- rapporteurs and authors: 60 minutes (10 minutes each);
- Commission: 60 minutes;
- members: 240 minutes, allocated as follows:
  - Socialist Group: 58 minutes,
  - Group of the European People's Party (CD Group): 55 minutes,
  - European Democratic Group: 35 minutes,
  - Communist and Allies Group: 25 minutes,
  - Liberal and Democratic Group: 24 minutes,
  - Group of European Progressive Democrats: 15 minutes,
  - Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members: 10 minutes,
  - non-attached members: 18 minutes.

— *Overall speaking time for the items on Wednesday's agenda (16 April):*

- Rapporteurs: 40 minutes (10 minutes each);
- Council: 45 minutes;
- Commission: 45 minutes;
- members: 240 minutes, allocated as follows:
  - Socialist Group: 58 minutes,
  - Group of the European People's Party (CD Group): 55 minutes,

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- European Democratic Group: 35 minutes,
- Communist and Allies Group: 25 minutes,
- Liberal and Democratic Group: 24 minutes,
- Group of European Progressive Democrats: 15 minutes,
- Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members: 10 minutes,
- non-attached members: 18 minutes.

For the sitting on Wednesday, 16 April, there would be a list of speakers for the joint debate and a list of speakers for the debate on the Ruffolo report.

— *Overall speaking time for the items on Thursday's agenda (17 April):*

- Rapporteurs and authors: 100 minutes (10 minutes each);
- Commission: 100 minutes in total;
- members: 300 minutes, allocated as follows:
  - Socialist Group: 74 minutes,
  - Group of the European People's Party (CD Group): 70 minutes,
  - European Democratic Group: 44 minutes,
  - Communist and Allies Group: 32 minutes,
  - Liberal and Democratic Group: 30 minutes,
  - Group of European Progressive Democrats: 19 minutes,
  - Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members: 11 minutes,
  - non-attached members: 20 minutes.

— *Overall speaking time for the items on Friday's agenda (18 April):*

- Rapporteurs: 5 minutes each;
- Commission: 40 minutes;
- members: 90 minutes, allocated as follows:

- Socialist Group: 20 minutes,
- Group of the European People's Party (CD Group): 19 minutes,
- European Democratic Group: 13 minutes,
- Communist and Allies Group: 10 minutes,
- Liberal and Democratic Group: 9 minutes,
- Group of European Progressive Democrats: 6 minutes,
- Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members: 5 minutes,
- non-attached members: 8 minutes.

## 12. Deadline for tabling amendments

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to fix the deadline for tabling amendments as follows:

- at 6 p.m. that evening for the items on Tuesday's and Wednesday's agenda,
- at 6 p.m. on 15 April for the items on Thursday's agenda,
- at 6 p.m. on 16 April for the items on Friday's agenda.

## 13. Procedure without report

The President announced that, pursuant to Rule 27A (5), the following Commission proposals had been placed on the agenda for that sitting for consideration without report:

- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 77/99/EEC as regards medical examination of personnel engaged in the production of meat products (Doc. 1-721/79)
- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 71/118/EEC as regards medical examination of personnel engaged in the production of poultry meat (Doc. 1-722/79)

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which had both been referred to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection;

The President reminded Parliament that unless any member asked leave to speak on these proposals or amendments were tabled to them before the opening of the sitting on Friday, 18 April 1980, she would, at that sitting, declare the proposals to be approved pursuant to Rule 27A (6).

#### 14. Statement by the President concerning the visit by the President of Venezuela to the European Parliament

The President drew Parliament's attention to the fact that on Thursday, 17 April, Mr Luis Herrera Campins, *President of Venezuela*, would be visiting Strasbourg to meet the members of the European Parliament.

She announced that on this occasion Parliament would suspend its proceedings from 5 p.m. until 5.45 p.m. in order to enable the President of Venezuela to address the House in the hemicycle.

The following spoke: Mrs Kellett-Bowman on the distribution of the electronic voting cards and Mr Scott-Hopkins on the procedure adopted for the visit of the President of Venezuela to Parliament and also to announce that his group would the next day be tabling a motion for a resolution, under Rule 14, on Iran.

#### 15. Action taken by the Commission on the opinions and proposals of Parliament

The President announced that the Commission's statement on the action taken by it on the opinions and proposals put forward by Parliament at its March 1980 part-sessions had been distributed at the same time as the document drawn up by the secretariat on the same subject <sup>(1)</sup>.

#### 16. Question Time

Parliament then considered a number of questions addressed to the Commission, the Council and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation (Doc. 1-72/80).

Question No 1 by Mr Dankert: Exceeding of the 1979 budget

Mr Tugendhat, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Dankert, Mr J. M. Taylor and Mr Scott-Hopkins.

The President announced that she had received a request from Mr J. M. Taylor and four other members seeking to open a debate following Question Time on the answer given by the Commission to this question.

Question No 2 by Mr Seal: Labelling of clothing imports

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Seal and Mr Turner.

Question No 3 by Mrs Chouraqui: Common agricultural policy *vis-à-vis* Spain

Mr Gundelach, *Vice-President of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mrs Chouraqui, Mr Marshall, Mrs De March and Lord Douro.

Question No 4 by Mr Rossi on data processing in the Community would be answered in writing as its author was absent and had not appointed a substitute.

Question No 5 by Mr Ippolito: Aids to prospection in the energy sector

Mr Brunner, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question.

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Mr Brunner answered supplementary questions by Mr Ippolito, Mr Rogers and Mrs Ewing.

Question No 6 by Mrs Pruvot: Social situation of workers in the cultural sector

Mr Brunner, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mrs Pruvot and Mr Price.

<sup>(1)</sup> See Annex to the verbatim report of proceedings of the sitting of 14 April 1980.

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**Question No 7 by Mr Collins: Effect of Community policy on prices**

Mr Cheysson, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Collins and Mr Kirk.

**Question No 8 by Mr Rogers: Guatemala**

Mr Haferkamp, *Vice-President of the Commission*, answered the question and a supplementary question by Mr Rogers.

**Question No 9 by Mr Linde: Human rights in the USSR**

Mr Haferkamp, *Vice-President of the Commission*, answered the question and a supplementary question by Mr Linde.

**Question No 10 by Mr Berkhouwer: Postal system in the Community**

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Berkhouwer, Mr Prag, Mr de Courcy Ling and Mr Cottrell.

**Question No 11 by Mr Van Aerssen on the differing subscription rates for newspapers in the European Community would be answered in writing as its author was absent and had not appointed a substitute.**

**Question No 12 by Mr Balfe: Social Fund**

Mr Vredeling, *Vice-President of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Balfe, Mr Welsh and Mr Lomas.

**Question No 13 by Mr Dalsass: Brenner tunnel to expedite rail traffic**

Mr Burke, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Dalsass, Mr Moreland and Mr Turner.

**Question No 14 by Mr Provan: Subsidization of fishing fleets**

Mr Gundelach, *Vice-President of the Commission*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Provan, Miss Quin, Mrs Ewing, Mr Hutton and Mr Harris.

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Mr Gundelach answered further supplementary questions by Sir Fred Warner and Mr Kirk.

The President declared the first part of Question Time closed.

Referring to the general instructions and selected texts relating to the application of certain provisions of the Rules of Procedure (Rule 47B), she decided not to give a favourable response to the request by Mr J. M. Taylor and others that a debate be opened after Question Time.

#### 17. Food aid to Cambodia (debate)

Mr Wawrzik introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on food aid to Cambodia and the South-East Asian refugees (Doc. 1-734/79).

The President declared the list of speakers closed.

Mr Cheysson, *Member of the Commission*, spoke.

The following spoke: Mr Haagerup who introduced the opinion of the Political Affairs Committee, Mr Cohen on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mrs Cassanmagnago Cerretti, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Purvis on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Gremetz, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Flanagan, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats and Mrs Macciocchi, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members.

The President announced that, in accordance with the decisions taken concerning the duration of sittings, the debate would be continued the next morning.

#### 18. Urgent debate

The President announced that she had received the following requests for urgent debate:

— request by Mr Caborn and others, pursuant to Rule 14, for the inclusion on the agenda of the present

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part-session of the report by Mr Donnez on the Adams affair (Doc. 1-44/80),

— motion for a resolution by Mrs Pruvot, Mr Donnez, Mr Delatte, Mr Baudis, Mr Nord, Mr Irmer, Mrs Von Alemann, Mrs Martin, Mr de la Malène, Mrs Maij-Weggen, Mr Penders, Mr Michel, Mr Rossi, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Rey, Mr Delorozoy, Mr Bagemann, Mr Combe, Mr Berkhouwer, Mr Sable, Mr Calvez, Mr Caillavet, and Mrs Macciocchi, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the situation of the political prisoners in the People's Republic of Guinea (Doc. 1-86/80),

— motion for a resolution by Mr Josselin, Mr Glinne, Mr Delmotte, Mr Vernimmen, Mr Von Der Vring, Mrs Vayssade, Mr Schwartzberg, Mr Sarre, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Wiczoreck-Zeul, Mr Jaquet, Mr Delors, Mr Woltjer, Mrs Krouwel-Vlam, Mrs Viehoff, Mr Wettig, Mr Karl Schön, Mrs Seibel-Emmerling, Mr Oehler, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Moreau, Mrs Weber and Mr Gabert, on behalf of the Socialist Group, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on Community financial aid for the regions of Brittany hard-hit by oil pollution (Doc. 1-87/80),

— a request from the Commission for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14 on the proposals from the Commission to the Council for regulations concerning food aid in 1980 (Doc. 1-5/80).

She announced that, pursuant to Rule 14 (1), second subparagraph, she would consult Parliament on these

requests for urgent procedure at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

#### 19. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting on Tuesday, 15 April 1980:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:

- decision on urgency;
- Wawrzik report on food aid to Cambodia (continuation);
- joint debate on the Delmotte report on the Fourth Annual Report on the ERDF and an oral question to the Commission on the inclusion of the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process;
- Van Miert report on human rights in Chile;
- Antoniozzi report on the situation in Nicaragua;
- Hansch report on human rights in Czechoslovakia;
- Gonella report on the right of residence of nationals of the Member States in another Member State.

3 p.m.:

- voting time.

*(The sitting was closed at 8.15 p.m.)*

H.-J. OPITZ

*Secretary-General*

Pieter DANKERT

*Vice-President*



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF TUESDAY, 15 APRIL 1980

IN THE CHAIR: MR DANKERT

*Vice-President**(The sitting was opened at 9 a.m.)***1. Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the previous day's sitting were approved.

committee responsible and to the Committee on Transport for an opinion;

**2. Documents received**

The President announced that he had received:

(b) the following motions for resolutions:

(a) from the Council, requests for opinions on:

- proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation laying down for 1980 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources, applicable to vessels flying the flag of Spain (Doc. 1-82/80)

- motion for a resolution by Mr Cariglia, Mr Ferri, Mr Orlandi and Mr Puletti, pursuant to Rule 25, on the violation of international law and the Charter of Human Rights in Iran (Doc. 1-81/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee;

- the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

I. a Directive amending Council Directive 77/541/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to safety belts and restraint systems of motor vehicles

- motion for a resolution by Mr Oehler, Mr Delors, Mr Delmotte, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Hoff, Mr von der Vring, Mr Sarre, Mrs Josselin and Mrs Roudy on behalf of the Socialist Group, pursuant to Rule 25, on reforming the operational machinery of financial instruments, action plans and pilot programmes (Doc. 1-88/80 rev.)

II. a Directive amending Council Directive 76/115/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to anchorages for motor vehicle safety belts

which had been referred to the Committee on Budgetary Control.

III. a Directive amending Council Directive 74/408/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the interior fittings of motor vehicles (strength of seats and of their anchorages)

**3. Composition of committees**

At the request of the Group of the European People's Party (CD group), Parliament ratified the appointment of Mr Estgen as member of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment.

(Doc. 1-83/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs as the

**4. Decision on urgency**

The next item was the vote on a number of requests for urgent debate:

- Commission proposals for food aid in 1980 (Doc. 1-5/80)

Urgent procedure was adopted.

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Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April on a proposal from the President, who expressed the wish that the Committee on Development and Cooperation should, to this end, table a report as soon as possible.

- Commission proposal for certain measures for the conservation of fishery resources (Doc. 1-35/80)

Urgent procedure was adopted.

Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April on a proposal from the President, who expressed the wish that the Committee on Agriculture should, to this end, table a report as soon as possible.

- Request by Mr Caborn and others for the inclusion on the agenda of the present part-session of the Donnez report on the Adams affair (Doc. 1-44/80)

The following spoke: Mr Caborn, Mr Bangemann, Mr Balfe and Mr Ferri, *Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee*.

Urgent procedure was rejected.

- Motion for a resolution by Mr Glinne and others, on behalf of the Socialist Group, on the assassination of Archbishop Romero (Doc. 1-74/80)

Mr Maffre-Baugé spoke.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

- Motion for a resolution by Mr Diligent and others, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), and by Mr Baudis, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, on the granting of asylum for Cuban citizens (Doc. 1-84/80)

Mr Boyes and Mr Bangemann spoke.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

- Motion for a resolution by Mrs Pruvot and others, on the political prisoners in Guinea (Doc. 1-86/80)

Mr Coppieters and Mrs Pruvot spoke.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

- Motion for a resolution by Mr Josselin and others, on behalf of the Socialist Group, on oil pollution in Brittany (Doc. 1-87/80).

Mr Calvez spoke on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group and Mrs Le Roux on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to enter this item on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

##### 5. Urgent debate

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution from Mr Scott-Hopkins, Mr Fergusson, Mr Battersby, Sir Fred Warner, Mr Provan, Mr Patterson, Lord Douro, Mr Turner, Mr Moreland, Mr Kirk, Mr Puvis, Mr Seligman, Mrs Kellert-Bowman, Mr Harris, Mr Pearce, Mr de Courcy Ling, Mr Spicer, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr Møller, Miss Brookes, Sir Fred Catherwood, Mr Sherlock and Mr Welsh, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the plight of the Americans held captive in Teheran (Doc. 1-89/80).

The reasons supporting this request for urgent debate were contained in the document itself.

He stated that, pursuant to Rule 14 (1), second subparagraph, he would consult Parliament on this request for urgent debate at the beginning of the next days sitting.

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## 6. Speech of welcome

The President welcomed, on behalf of Parliament, a delegation from the Gibraltar House of Assembly headed by Sir Joshua Hassan, Chief Minister, and by Mr Peter Isola, who had taken their seats in the official gallery.

## 7. Food aid to Cambodia (continuation of debate)

The next item was the continuation of the debate on the Wawrzik report on food aid to Cambodia (Doc. 1-734/79) (see item 16 of the previous day's minutes)

The following spoke: Mrs Baduel Glorioso, the rapporteur and Mr Cheysson, *Member of the Commission*.

The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments that had been tabled to it, at the next voting time (see item 9 of these minutes).

He declared the debate closed.

## 8. Fourth Annual Report on the ERDF — Involvement of the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process (debate)

The next item was the joint, debate on a report and an oral question; Mr Delmotte introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Regional Policy and Regional Planning, on the Fourth Annual Report (1978) of the Commission of the European Communities on the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) (Doc. 1-789/79).

Mr Cecovini moved the oral question with debate which, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, he had put to the Commission on the plans to involve the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process by using the ports of Trieste and Monfalcone (Doc. 1-32/80).

Mr Burke, *Member of the Commission*, spoke.

The President announced that the list of speakers would be closed in 10 minutes' time.

The following spoke: Mr Griffiths, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Pöttering, on behalf of the Group

of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Harris, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Gouthier, on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group, Mr Irmer, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Cronin, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, and Mrs Bonino, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members.

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*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Gendebien, non-attached member, Mr Gabert, Mr O'Donnell, Mr J. D. Taylor, Mrs Ewing, Mr Blaney, Mr Petronio, Mr Hume, Mr Modiano, Mrs Kellett-Bowman, Mr Cariglia, Mr Travaglini, Mr Hutton, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Habsburg, Mr Glinne, Mr Giolitti, *Member of the Commission*, Mr Bocklet, Mr von der Vring, Mrs Gaiotti de Biase, Mr Delmotte, Mr Burke and Mr Giolitti.

The President announced that he had received three motions for resolutions, with request for an early vote pursuant to Rule 47 (5), to wind up the debate on oral question Doc. 1-32/80 on the plan to involve the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process by using the ports of Trieste and Monfalcone:

- the first from Mr Gouthier Mr Cariglia, Mr Carossino, Mr Ceravolo, Mr Lezzi and Mr Ferri (Doc. 1-85/80),
- the second from Mr Cecovini, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, (Doc. 1-90/80),
- the third from Mr Modiano, Mr Barbi, Mr Bersani, Mr Bocklet, Mr Colleselli, Mrs Gaiotti de Biase, Mr Habsburg, Mr Travaglini and Mr Ghergo (Doc. 1-91/80).

He would consult Parliament on these three requests at the beginning of the next days sitting.

He announced that the motion for a resolution contained in the Delmotte report would be put to the vote, together with the amendments tabled to it, at the next voting time (see item 10 of these minutes).

He declared the debate closed.

(The sitting was suspended at 1.10 p.m. and resumed at 3 p.m.)

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IN THE CHAIR: MRS VEIL

*President*

9. Food aid to Cambodia (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Wawrzik report (Doc. 1-734/79).

The President informed the House that Mrs Macciocchi had forwarded to her that morning an amendment which she intended to table with the agreement of the rapporteur.

She pointed out that she had informed Mrs Macciocchi that there was no question of her amendment being printed and distributed, since the deadline for tabling amendments, which had been set at 6 p.m. the previous day, had expired.

However, in view of the importance of the subject, the President read out the first paragraph of the amendment, which sought to replace paragraph 7 of the motion for a resolution by a new text:

'Has taken note of the Commission's proposals for a second instalment of emergency aid totalling 40 million EUA, and hopes that they will be approved as quickly as possible;'

The President drew the Commission's attention to this text, and asked the latter to give Parliament an undertaking that it would report to it on this matter as soon as possible. She stated that the Commission's statement on this subject would be recorded in the verbatim report of proceedings, thus meeting the wish expressed by Mrs Macciocchi and the rapporteur.

Mr Cheysson, *Member of the Commission*, spoke.

The President then read out the second paragraph of the amendment which she stated would be submitted to the enlarged Bureau at one of its next meetings:

'Asks Parliament, in accordance with its vote of 15 February 1980, to send a delegation on the spot to check on the distribution of this aid;'

Parliament adopted the first two indents of the preamble.

After the second indent, Mr Gremetz, Mr Denis, Mr Baillet, Mr Ferrero and Mrs Baduel Glorioso had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to insert two new indents.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 2 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the third indent of the preamble and paragraphs 1 to 5.

On paragraph 6, Mr Gremetz and others had tabled amendment No 3 seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 6.

After paragraph 6, Mr Purvis had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 1 was adopted.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 7 and 8.

The following gave explanations of vote: Mrs Bonino, Mrs Macciocchi, who also raised a point of order, and Mrs Baduel Glorioso.

Mr Haagerup, *Draftsman of the Opinion of the Political Affairs Committee*, spoke.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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## RESOLUTION

## on food aid to Cambodia and the South-East Asian refugees

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Cariglia on food aid to Cambodia (Doc. 1-407/79).
- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Sarre, Mr Zagari, Mr Glinne, Mrs Castle, Mr Estier, Mr Arndt, Mr Mochane, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Fullet and Mrs Roudy on the South-East Asian refugees (Doc. 1-422/79),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the opinion of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-734/79).

1. Calls on the Commission to inform the European Parliament of the measures taken by the Community so far on behalf of the Cambodian people who are threatened by famine and whether the supplies made available have in fact reached those in need;
2. Takes the view that the extensive suffering calls for an increase in the Community's efforts and that every suitably experienced organization concerned with the distribution of supplies must be involved;
3. Notes with satisfaction that foodstuffs (rice and milk powder) and drugs have already been supplied but hopes that clothing, blankets and tents will also be made available to the refugees;
4. Points out that the large and, above all, wildly fluctuating number of refugees is causing problems for the Thai Government which it cannot overcome on its own;
5. Calls on the Community, therefore, to make available the necessary resources to improve the means of access to the camps located on the frontier with Cambodia, in order to guarantee, or at least improve, supplies to the people in need;
6. Calls further for aid to be provided not only for the refugees but also for the peoples of Cambodia, Vietnam and Laos, care being taken, despite all difficulties, to ensure that the aid reaches the civilian population in need and does not benefit military personnel;
7. In view of the critical conditions likely to arise in the next few weeks from a severely restricted and disrupted harvest in Kampuchea, calls on the Commission to ensure continuing and adequate supplies of food and medical aid through the existing voluntary organizations and to monitor their efficient distribution;
8. Requests the Commission to inform Parliament at the earliest opportunity of the measures which have been taken on the basis of this resolution;
9. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission.

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10. **Fourth Annual Report on the ERDF** (vote)

Parliament adopted paragraphs 9 to 18.

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the report by Mr Delmotte (Doc. 1-789/79).

After paragraph 18, Mr Blaney had tabled amendment No 4 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Parliament adopted the preamble and paragraphs 1 to 5.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 4 was rejected.

After paragraph 5, Mrs Ewing had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 19 to 21.

The rapporteur and Mrs Ewing spoke.

After paragraph 21, Mrs Ewing had tabled amendment No 3 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Amendment No 1 was rejected.

The rapporteur spoke.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 6 to 8.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

After paragraph 8, Mrs Ewing had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 22 to 65.

The rapporteur spoke.

Mr Fich and Mr Moreland gave explanations of vote.

Amendment No 2 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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**on the Fourth Annual Report (1978) of the Commission of the European Communities on the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Fourth Annual Report (1978) on the European Regional Development Fund presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 16 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 724/75 of 18 March 1975 establishing a European Regional Development Fund (COM(79) 349 final),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Regional Planning and the opinion of the Committee on Budgetary Control (Doc. 1-789/79),
- referring to its previous opinions of 12 March 1975 <sup>(1)</sup>, 21 April 1977 <sup>(2)</sup> and 13 October 1977 <sup>(3)</sup> on the Fund Regulation, and of 16 December 1976 <sup>(4)</sup>, 17 January 1978 <sup>(5)</sup> and 13 February 1979 <sup>(6)</sup> on the annual reports for 1975, 1976 and 1977.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 76, 7. 4. 1975, p. 22.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 118, 16. 5. 1977, p. 51.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 266, 7. 11. 1977, p. 35.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 6, 10. 1. 1977, p. 86.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 36, 13. 2. 1978, p. 11.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No C 67, 12. 3. 1979, p. 13.

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- whereas, despite the aid policies of the Member States and the Community, the divergence between average *per capita* incomes in the richer and poorer regions of the Community has continued to increase (resolution of 21 April 1977),
  - whereas the existence of regional disparities constitutes a threat to the sound operation of the common market and the internal cohesion of the Community and an obstacle to the progress of economic and monetary integration and the enlargement of the Community (resolution of 21 April 1977),
  - whereas the uncontrolled phenomena of congestion and migration are more costly than measures to encourage the balanced development of the regions and the existence of regional disparities serves to impede the expansion of the economy as a whole and may be an inflationary factor (resolution of 21 April 1977),
  - whereas the Heads of State or Government, meeting in Paris in October 1972, agreed that 'a high priority' should be given to the aim of correcting the structural and regional imbalances in the Community (resolution of 21 April 1977).
  - whereas Community regional policy should allow a new geographical distribution of human activity in line with socio-economic objectives and introduce radical structural changes, while certain types of aid promote the survival of structures designed for other, now outdated purposes, thus standing in the way of the adjustments needed to reduce regional imbalances (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 6).
  - whereas the introduction of this Community regional policy should be combined with a thorough assessment of the principles and methods of regional development (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 5),
  - whereas the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) should not be confused with the Community's regional policy, since the Fund is only one of the instruments under this policy (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 3),
  - whereas the definition of an overall analytical and conceptual framework, assessment of the regional impact of the Community's policy and coordination of national and Community policies and financial instruments constitute the only means of moving gradually from simply managing the Fund to introducing a genuine Community regional policy (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 3),
1. Points out that the Regulation establishing the ERDF should have been revised before 1 January 1978 but that, because of the Council's delay in taking a decision, the Fund's activities in 1978 were still governed by the provisions of the old Regulation, the serious shortcomings of which the European Parliament has already pointed out;
  2. Points out that revision of the Regulation in February 1979 did not remedy all these shortcomings but that the Council has undertaken in the framework of the conciliation procedure with Parliament to take special note of the Assembly's concerns during the next review, which should take place before 1 January 1981;
  3. Considers that it should take the opportunity when examining this Report to restate the limits imposed on the operation of the ERDF by the present Regulations which should be reviewed before 1 January 1981;

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### I. Problems connected with the provisions of the present Regulation

#### (a) *National quotas*

4. Points out that a genuine common regional policy will have no chance of success unless it gradually becomes less a matter of financial compensation between Member States and is based on Community development criteria (resolution of 12 February 1979, paragraph 4);

5. Points out that in March 1975 the European Parliament took a very critical view of the national quotas inserted in the Regulation by the Council despite the Commission's proposals for Community criteria and a list of priority regions for assistance from the ERDF based on these criteria;

6. Points out that in its guidelines of April 1977 the European Parliament was 'opposed to the amount of the Fund being allocated to the Member States according to a previously determined scale ...' (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 27);

7. Deplores the fact that the Fund Regulation still employs a mechanism for subsidies to the Member States based on priorities established at national level on the strength of different methods, data and criteria for each country, whereas a Community regional policy should be founded on priorities established in accordance with Community criteria (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 35);

8. Points out that the European Parliament has already asked the Commission to use the criteria that the latter itself proposed in 1973 for drawing up a list of regions eligible for aid from the Fund and based on a comparatively low *per capita* product, a high percentage of workers engaged in agriculture or in a declining industrial sector, structural under-employment, a consistently high unemployment rate and high emigration figures (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 36);

#### (b) *The non-quota section*

9. Points out that in October 1977 it 'approved the setting up of a non-quota reserve and the fact that specific Community projects are based on Community criteria' in line with Commission proposals, and deplores the fact that the Council has amended these proposals by limiting their scope (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 17);

10. Points out that, in budgetary terms, the fixing in the Regulation of a percentage for the non-quota section limits the power of the European Parliament to monitor the establishment and use of the Fund's resources, which are non-compulsory expenditure and should be determined annually as part of the budget procedure;

11. Points out that the percentage for the non-quota section is too low (5 %), particularly when compared with the endowment proposed by the Commission in the preliminary draft budget for 1978 (13 %), and is not commensurate with the objectives of this section;

12. Points out that the European Parliament has always believed that the creation of a non-quota section must be accompanied by an increase in the total endowment of the ERDF, as the activities involved are new and unforeseen and must therefore be financed in addition to the appropriations available for existing activities;



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13. Points out that, in procedural terms, the adoption by the Council of the unanimous voting procedure for the approval of each specific project shows little Community spirit as it introduces a right of veto and runs counter to the rules governing the roles of the various institutions in implementing the budget (the Commission had proposed a qualified majority voting system);

14. Points out that the Commission proposals made no provision for using Member States as intermediaries for the disbursement of aid from the non-quota section, and considers that payments could be made directly to the recipients, whose projects are forwarded by the Member States, thus ensuring compliance with the principle of additionality and publicizing Community aid;

15. Points out that the watering down of the Community aspect is further evidenced by the fact that the Council has deleted any reference to Community criteria in selecting projects for assistance from the non-quota section, whereas the Commission had proposed adopting the criteria used in 1973 for drawing up a list of priority regions and the European Parliament has always requested that these Community criteria be used;

*(c) Aid for infrastructures*

16. Points out that 'it is necessary not only to combat economic disparities but also to bring living standards more closely into line and that national regional policies based solely on industrial development aid have not, generally speaking, attained their objective, as the standard of infrastructures may be more important than financial aid in promoting development' (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 14);

17. Points out that the lack or inadequacy of certain types of infrastructure in certain regions clearly impedes development and 'once again stresses the need for the fund, proceeding in close cooperation with the other Community instruments, to provide aid for social, educational and vocational training infrastructures, which represent a heavy burden for some Member States given their high cost and the absence of any immediate profit' (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 15);

18. Notes that in revising the Fund Regulation the Council followed the proposals of the European Parliament by adopting a broad definition of the concept of infrastructure;

19. Nevertheless deplores the fact that the revised Regulation limits the amount of aid granted in respect of infrastructure projects to a maximum of 70 % of the endowment for the Fund, as the programmes for the various regions do not contain the same types of projects for the various regions do not contain the same types of projects for the development of a given region and the number of industrial investment projects varies depending on the general economic situation and, in addition, the amount of each category of assistance should not be laid down in the Regulation but should be decided annually as part of the budget procedure, thus preserving the powers of the European Parliament;

20. Points out that in particularly deprived regions, the European Parliament and the Commission proposed that financial assistance for infrastructure projects should be allowed up to a maximum of 50 % of the total investment and deplores the fact that the Council has reduced this figure to 40 %;

21. Points out that the European Parliament has always advocated that priority regions should be determined at Community level to avoid spreading assistance too thinly hence reducing its effectiveness and deplores the fact that the Council has not accepted the five

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particularly deprived regions which the Commission proposed should qualify for the higher rate of assistance for infrastructure projects (despite the fact that these regions are a heavy burden on certain countries: Greenland, the French overseas departments, Ireland, the Mezzogiorno and Northern Ireland);

*(d) The additional nature of aid from the Fund*

22. Points out that the effectiveness of the funds available, small by comparison with requirements, depends on respect for the principle of additionality with national expenditure and that this must have a multiplying effect (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 8);

23. Points out and deplores the fact that the Member States have used aid granted from the Fund for industrial projects as partial repayment of national aid, whereas Community aid may supplement public aid, thus facilitating control and publicity (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 9);

24. Points out that there is no justification for partial repayment of national aid after the initial period of the Fund's operation, since only totally new projects should be submitted to the Commission (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 10);

25. Points out that the European Parliament recommended that Community aid ought to be paid direct to the public or private investor as a supplement to national aid (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 11) (within the ceilings on aids determined in accordance with the principles for coordinating regional aids);

26. Points out that horizontal or overall additionality is needed, as it is essential to ensure that national budgets show clearly that Community aid does not allow the Member States to reduce their total contributions to regional policy (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 12);

*(e) Information and publicity for ERDF assistance*

27. Considers that the public has a right to be informed of the uses made of Community funds which are provided by European taxpayers;

28. Considers that assistance from the Regional Fund for specific projects with a precise purpose are a particularly suitable means of drawing public attention to Community activities;

29. Considers that such publicity is important as a means of showing the public that the Community has become a reality and that it takes action to assist the most deprived sections of the population in their work and living conditions;

30. Considers that an increase in the resources available to the Fund is acceptable only if the uses to which Community funds are put are known both to investors and the public at large;

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31. Considers that this information can be effective only if the additional nature of assistance from the Fund can be demonstrated and if the projects assisted can be individually identified;
32. Points out that in some Member States information and publicity are practically non-existent, in respect of aid to infrastructure projects although the Community provides considerable aid to certain regions such as Corsica, where it amounts to 41.04 EUA per inhabitant or Sardinia with 43.68 EUA per inhabitant (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 14);
33. Points out that the visits made by its Committee on Regional Policy, Regional Planning and Transport, particularly to France, revealed a lack of information on assistance from the Fund to infrastructure projects; in Corsica the local and regional authorities consulted said they were unaware of the existence of aid from the Regional Fund and could not identify the infrastructure projects published in the Official Journal (involving water supply, road and air infrastructures) as no location was given;
34. Points out that, as its powers of budgetary control increase, the Parliament must have available data which will enable it to undertake a thorough economic analysis of the use and effectiveness of Community funds; only if the results of its activities are properly monitored can the endowment of the Regional Fund be increased;
35. Recalls that the European Parliament stressed that applications for assistance from the Fund should provide information to enable the Commission to publish, pursuant to Article 14 of the Fund Regulation and 'for each project or programme, whatever the amount involved, the identification and nature of the project, the amount of the investment of national aid and of aid from the ERDF, any other sources of finance and the number of jobs created or maintained' (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 15);

## II. Problems not connected with the Regulation

### (a) *Inadequate endowment of the ERDF*

36. Notes that the real value of appropriations for the Fund for 1978, which had already been reduced by the Council from 750 million EUA to 580 million EUA, was further undermined by inflation;
37. Stresses that the appropriations available proved to be totally inadequate to help reduce the widening development gap, to make a significant contribution to the battle against unemployment in the Community and thus to go some way towards meeting the objective of the Common regional policy, namely to reduce regional economic disparities;
38. Emphasizes that the commitment appropriations have proved inadequate, despite the 'voluntary restraint' observed by the Member States in an effort to keep within the limits of their national quotas;
39. Finds the non-approval of over 200 projects, because of the shortfall of 76 million EUA in commitment appropriations, all the more regrettable in the present difficult employment situation since it was due to a failure on the part of the Council to react positively to Parliament's proposals for an increase in the endowment of the Regional Fund;
40. Deplores the fact that payments from the Fund were well below the payment appropriations in the 1978 budget (42 %) as the latter were over estimated in relation to the

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commitment appropriations and there was a delay in adopting the amendments to the Fund Regulation which would have allowed payments to be made more rapidly, and will go into this aspect more thoroughly in the context of the report on the 1978 discharge;

41. Stresses the importance of making payments promptly, so that the impact of the Fund may be felt more rapidly and its multiplier effect enhanced;

*(b) The content of the regional development programmes*

42. Points out that the programmes, which should provide a framework for the Regional Fund's activities are an essential instrument for the coordination of the various Community and national financial instruments and for the coordination of regional policies and other policies with regional implications; these programmes should make it possible to concentrate the available resources on priority objectives and make it easy to check that Community funds are being put to good use (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 16);

43. Recalls that the Commission has already discovered that these programmes mostly lack the detail needed to serve as a guide for the allocation of the Fund's resources or to coordinate them more closely with assistance from the other Community financial instruments and that the link between the investment projects in question and the aims of some programmes is not made clear (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 17);

44. Recalls that the European Parliament insisted 'on the need both to set and qualify the overall objectives of these regional development programmes, above all in terms of jobs, and to show the link between the project and the development measures proposed to achieve these objectives' (resolution of 13 February 1977, paragraph 18);

45. Recalls that the Parliament has also insisted 'on the need both to establish the cost of the proposed development measures and to assess the total Community, national and other resources to be allocated to a specific regional development programme' (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 19);

46. Points out that such programmes should be sizeable, coherent and interdependent, to which end it is necessary both to establish regional economic development principles, interdependent or causal relationships between the phenomena observed which have not yet been sufficiently analysed, and to compile more detailed regional statistics, progressing beyond the stage of descriptive statistics, to present the data in the form of dynamic and functional regional models to serve as a basis for these development programmes (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 19);

*(c) Control*

47. Points out that the European Parliament has an obligation to ensure that Community financial resources are used effectively and that the absence of additionality for individual industrial projects, the inaccuracy of and lack of comparability between statistical data, the lack of information and publicity about the Fund's activities and the deficiencies in the regional development programmes prevent any serious economic analysis of the impact of Community aid (resolution of 13 February 1979, paragraph 21);

48. Deplores the delay on the part of the Member States in transmitting statistical data to the Commission, as well as the inadequacies and inconsistencies in the material supplied

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which have made it impossible to gauge accurately the impact of Fund expenditure and believes that the provision of adequate statistical information is essential to the work of the Commission and of the European Parliament and that consequently a real improvement is required in the quality of the material supplied to the Commission;

49. Welcomes the steady increase in the number of project inspections carried out and believes that the problems revealed by these inspections indicate that the auditing work is necessary and is beginning to have an effect;

50. Finds it deplorable that one Member State should impede the work of Community officials instructed to verify on the spot the regularity of payments of ERDF aid and invites the Commission to consider the possibility of suspending Fund assistance in cases where national authorities of the Member States impede Community auditing work;

51. Takes the view that since Community auditing in this sphere is confined to a small percentage of cases, effective action should follow the discovery of irregularities, including and appropriate degree of publicity and the reimbursement of the aid in question;

52. Feels that the Member States should be encouraged to submit a larger number of projects so as to enable the Commission to exercise a greater degree of selection and invites the Commission to inform the European Parliament of the projects submitted for assistance from the Fund (including those which are deferred) immediately after their selection;

53. Recommends the Commission to continue and intensify its technical and financial controls, particularly in France where it seems to be impossible to make on-the-spot visits, and concentrate on socio-economic as well as technical and financial aspects;

54. Believes that it would be advantageous to increase the possibilities of financing studies relating to the Regional Fund so as to obtain a clearer view of the impact of the appropriations utilized;

*(d) The role of local and regional authorities*

55. Points out that the Community's aim is to establish a coordinated, interdependent and varied unit that takes account of local and regional characteristics and in which the region has an important role to play (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 20);

56. Recalls that the European Parliament called on the Commission and Council 'to take into consideration the trend towards decentralization of powers and resources which is gaining momentum in certain Member States' (resolution of 21 April 1977, paragraph 21);

57. Recalls that the European Parliament considered it 'essential, in view of the general character of the development, for the public to participate in the development process through their elected representatives at all levels, since only such participation is likely to ensure the success of the development programmes' (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 10);

58. Recalls that it has already 'recommended to the Commission that it should define, in collaboration with the Member States, the role of the different local and regional and

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national bodies in working out and implementing programmes for which Community aid is granted' (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 11);

59. Recalls that it has already proposed that the Regional Policy Committee should consult the appropriate representatives of the regions concerned on each regional development programme and seek the views of the trade union and business organizations of the region concerned (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 9);

(e) *Technical aid*

60. Recalls that the European Parliament considered that 'the introduction of these measures will necessitate the setting up by the Commission of study groups comprising specialists from various fields with the principal task of putting forward 'scenarios' to enable the various policies to be assessed in terms of regional impact and brought into alignment' (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 6);

61. Recalls its view that, if Community regional aid were to be effective, local or regional officials with a high level of competence would be essential and that, in certain regions, it might be necessary to give them further training, possibly with Community aid (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 8);

62. Recommends that, if necessary, financial support should be backed by Community technical aid for the development and implementation of regional development programmes (resolution of 5 July 1973, paragraph 8) <sup>(1)</sup>;

63. Stresses the need to increase the number of officials in the Directorate-General for Regional Policy employed in managing the ERDF, with a view to extending existing activities and developing new programmes (resolution of 13 October 1977, paragraph 7);

64. Asks its committee responsible to keep these problems under constant review and report back with a view to revision of the regulation establishing the Regional Fund;

65. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 62, 31. 7. 1973, p. 33.

## 11. Human rights in Chile (debate)

Mr Van Miert introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on the violation of human rights and fundamental liberties in Chile (Doc. 1-821/79).

The Following spoke: Mrs van den Heuvel, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Penders, on behalf of the Group

of the European People's Party (CD Group), Lord Douro, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, whose speech also related to the Antoniozzi Report of Nicaragua (*see item 12 of these minutes*), Mrs Baduel Glorioso, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Galland, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Blaney, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mrs Gaiotti De Biase, Mr Haferkamp, *Vice-President of the Commission*, and the rapporteur.

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The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendment that had been tabled to it, at the next voting time (*see item 19 of the minutes of 17 April*).

She declared the debate closed.

## 12. Situation in Nicaragua (debate)

Mr Antoniozzi introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on the political situation in Nicaragua (Doc. 1-723/79).

IN THE CHAIR: MR VANDEWIELE,

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr. Lomas, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr. Chambeiron, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Haagerup, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, and Mr Cheysson, *Member of the Commission*.

The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments that had been tabled to it, at the next voting time (*see item 20 of the minutes of 17 April*).

He declared the debate closed.

## 13. Human rights in Czechoslovakia (debate)

Mr Hänsch introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on the respect for human rights in Czechoslovakia (Doc. 815/79).

Mr Pelikan spoke on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Habsburg on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Lord Bethell on behalf of the European Democratic Group and Mr Irmer on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 21 of the minutes of 17 April*).

He declared the debate closed.

## 14. Right of residence of nationals of a Member State in another Member State (debate)

Mr Gonella introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Legal Affairs Committee, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-324/79) for a Directive on the right of residence for nationals of Member States in the territory of another Member State (Doc. 1-40/80).

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, spoke.

The following spoke: Mr Janssen Van Raay, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Tyrrell, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Berkhouwer, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Gillot, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Gillot, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Mr Bøgh, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr Sieglerschmidt, Mr Megahy, Mr Ferri, *Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee*, the rapporteur, Mr Davignon, Mr Bøgh, who made a personal statement, Mr Bonde, who raised a point of order, and Mr Davignon.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments tabled to it, at the next voting time (*see item 22 of the minutes of 17 April*).

He declared the debate closed.

## 15. Urgent debate

The President announced that he had received requests for urgent debate, pursuant to Rule 14, on:

— a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Donnez, Mr Bangemann, Mrs Bruvot, Mr Haagerup, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Calvez, Mr Rey, Mr Rossi, Mr Berkhouwer, Mr Irmer, Mrs von Alemann, Mr Combe, Mr Cecovini, Mr Sable, Mr Caillavet, Mr Poniatoski, Mr Baudis, Mrs Martin, Mrs Nielsen, Mr Delatte and Mr Galland, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, on EEC/United States relations in the field of steel (Doc. 1-92/80),

— a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Van Minnen, Mr Caborn, Mr Boyes, Mr Lomas, Mrs van den Heuvel, Mr Collins, Mr Key, Mr Rogers, Mrs Krouwel-Vlam, Mr Enright, Miss Quin, Mrs

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Castle, Mr Schwartzberg, Mr B. Friedrich, Mr Megahy, Mrs Buchan, Mr Pelikan, Mr Schmid, Mr Hänsch, Mr Josselin, Mr Gallagher, Mr Griffiths, Mr Vernimmen, Mr Estier, Mr von der Vring, Mr Colla, Mr Glinne and Mrs Viehoff, on attempted suppression of freedom of the media (Doc. 1-93/80),

- a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Prag, Mr Johnson, Mr Newton Dunn, Miss Roberts, Mr J. D. Taylor, Mr Tuckman, Mr Cottrell, Mr Moreland, Mr Harris, Mr Marshall, Mrs Kellett-Bowman, Mr Hord, Mr Kellett-Bowman, Mr Price, Mr Forth, Lord Harmar-Nicholls, Mr Battersby, Mrs Rabbethge, Miss Hooper, Mr Tyrrell and Mr Sherlock, on the hostages held at the American Embassy in Tehran (Doc. 1-98/80).

He stated that the reasons supporting the requests for urgent debate were contained in the documents themselves.

Pursuant to Rule 14 (1) second subparagraph, he would consult Parliament on these requests at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

#### 16. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting on Wednesday, 16 April:

*9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:*

- decision on urgency;
- decision on requests for an early vote;
- joint debate on the Rey report on relations between Parliament and the Commission, the motion for a resolution by Mr Scott-Hopkins and others on the report of the Committee of Wise Men on European institutions and the Blumenfeld report on Greece's accession to the Community;
- Ruffolo report on the European Monetary System.

*5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.:*

- Question Time (questions to the Council and the Foreign Ministers).

*(The sitting was closed at 7.10 p.m.)*

H.-J. OPITZ

*Secretary-General*

Simone VEIL

*President*

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL 1980**

IN THE CHAIR: MRS VEIL

*President*

*(The sitting was opened at 9 a.m.)*

**1. Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the previous day's sitting were approved.

down certain measures for the conservation and management during 1980 of common fishery resources off the West Greenland coast, applicable to vessels flying the flag of Canada or under charter to companies registered in Canada (Doc. 1-96/80)

**2. Documents received**

The President announced that she had received:

from the Council, requests for an opinion on:

— the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for :

I. a Regulation on the opening, allocation and administration of the Community tariff quota of 38 000 head of heifers and cows, not intended for slaughter, of certain mountain breeds falling within subheading ex 01.02 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff

II. a Regulation on the opening, allocation and administration of the Community tariff quota of 5 000 head of bulls, cows and heifers, not intended for slaughter, of certain Alpine breeds falling within subheading ex 01.02 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff

(Doc. 1-94/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Budgets for opinions;

— the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision to provide a financial contribution from the Community towards the eradication of African swine fever in Portugal (Doc. 1-95/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets for an opinion;

— the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation laying

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

— the recommendation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the conclusion of the second ACP/EEC Convention of Lomé (Doc. 1-97/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Development and Cooperation as the committee responsible and to the Political Affairs Committee, the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on External Economic Relations for opinions.

**3. Decision on urgency**

The first item was the decision on urgency of various motions for resolutions.

The President reminded the House that she had announced the previous evening the tabling of two motions for resolutions concerning the situation in Iran:

— the first by Mr Fergusson on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Blumenfeld on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr Berkhouwer and Mr Rey (Doc. 1-89/80/rev.),

— the second by Mr Prag and others (Doc. 1-98/80).

In the meantime, she had been notified that other motions for resolutions would be tabled on the same subject.

In view of this, she proposed that Parliament should vote first on whether a debate on the situation in Iran as

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set out in these motions should be placed on the agenda under urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 14.

The following spoke: Mr Scott-Hopkins, Mr Glinne, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Baillot, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Bangemann, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Blumenfeld, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Gillot, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Lady Elles, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Fantì, on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group, Mr Capanna, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr De Goede, non-attached member, and Mr Glinne.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

Mr Blumenfeld requested on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), the European Democratic Group and the Liberal and Democratic Group that the debate on the situation in Iran be held that afternoon.

The following spoke: Mr Glinne, who recalled the decision taken the previous day the political group chairman to enter this item at the beginning of the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April, Mr Fantì, who also reminded the House of this decision and requested, in the event of it not being respected, a suspension of the sitting to enable a new meeting to be held between the political group chairmen and the President, Mrs Cassanmagnago Ceretti, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr Scott-Hopkins, on behalf of the European Democratic Group.

The President decided to suspend the sitting in order to convene a meeting of the political group chairmen.

*(The sitting was suspended at 9.35 a.m. and resumed at 10.25 a.m.)*

Mr Blumenfeld withdrew this request that the debate on Iran be held that afternoon.

The President announced that she would inform Parliament later that morning of the timing of the debate on Iran (*see item 8 of these minutes*).

— Motion for a resolution by Mr Donnez and others on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, on EEC/US relations in the steel sector (Doc. 1-92/80)

The following spoke: Mr Donnez, Mr Martin, Mr Herman, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mrs Lizin, on behalf of the Socialist Group, and Sir Fred Catherwood, on behalf of the European Democratic Group.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

This item was entered on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

— Motion for a resolution by Mr Van Minnen and others on attempted suppression of freedom of the media (Doc. 1-93/80)

The following spoke: Mr Van Minnen and Mr Vergeer, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group).

As the result of the show of hands was doubtful, Parliament took a fresh vote by sitting and standing and rejected urgent procedure.

Pursuant to Rule 25, this motion for a resolution was referred to the appropriate committee, in this case the Political Affairs Committee; the Committee on South, Culture, Education, Information and Sport had been asked for an opinion.

#### 4. Speech of welcome

The President, on behalf of Parliament, welcomed Mr Colombo, *President-in-Office of the Council* who spoke in reply.

#### 5. Decision on requests for an early vote

The next item was the decision on the requests for an early vote on three motions for resolutions tabled to wind up the debate on the oral question to the Commission (Doc. 1-32/80) on involving the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process (Docs. 1-85/80, 1-90/80 and 1-91/80).

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The President proposed that Parliament should take a single vote on these three requests, to which Parliament agreed.

Mr Cecovini spoke.

It was decided to hold an early vote on these motions, namely at the next voting time.

#### 6. Urgent debate

The President announced that she had received a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Jaquet, Mr Sarre, Mrs Vayssade, Mrs Wiczorek-Zeul, Mrs Lizin, Mr Ruffolo, Mr Oehler, Mr Josselin, Mr Colla, Mr Rogers, Mr Van Miert, Mr Moreau, Mr O'Connell, Mr Pisani, Mr Delors, Mrs Charzat, Mr Loo, Mr Sutra, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Castle, Mr Seal, Mr Cohen and Mr Estier, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the events in Tunisia (Doc. 1-100/80).

The reasons supporting this request for urgent debate were contained in the document itself.

Pursuant to Rule 14 (1) second subparagraph, she would consult Parliament on this request at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

#### 7. Relations between Parliament and the Commission — Report on European institutions by the Committee of Three — Institutional aspects of Greek accession (debate)

The next item was the joint debate on two reports and a motion for a resolution.

Mr Patterson spoke on the order of business.

Mr Rey introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on relations between the European Parliament and the Commission of the Community with a view to the forthcoming appointment of a new Commission (Doc. 1-71/80)

Mr Scott-Hopkins introduced the motion for a resolution that he had tabled together with Lady Elles, Mr Beazley, Mr De Courcy Ling, Mr Patterson, Sir Fred Catherwood, Mr Hutton, Mr Howell, Mr Prag, Mr Kellett-Bowman, Mr Dalziel, Mr J. M. Taylor, Mr Spencer, Mr Prout, Mr C. Jackson, Mr Welsh, Lord O'Hagan, Mr Newton Dunn, Sir Peter Vanneck, Mr Seligman, Lord Douro, Mr Johnson and Mr Purvis, on

behalf of the European Democratic Group, on the report on European institutions by the Committee of Three ('Three Wise Men') — (Doc. 1-33/80).

#### 8. Order of business

The President announced that Mr Colombo, *President-in-Office of the Council*, had agreed to make a statement at 3 p.m. that afternoon on the situation in Iran.

She also announced that, in accordance with Rule 14 (3), and following consultation of the political group chairman, who had all agreed to this, the debate on the situation in Iran would be held from 3 to 5 p.m. the following day, Thursday 17 April.

The votes on the motions for resolutions on the situation in Iran would be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, voting time for that day having been postponed until that time.

#### 9. Deadline for tabling amendments and motions for resolutions on Iran

The President announced that this deadline was 12 noon on Thursday, 17 April.

#### 10. Relations between Parliament and the Commission — Report on European institutions by the Committee of Three — Institutional aspects of Greek accession (continuation of debate)

Mr Blumenfeld introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee, on the institutional aspects of Greek accession to the European Community (Doc. 1-49/80).

IN THE CHAIR: MR JAQUET

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Colombo, *President-in-Office of the Council*, and Mr Jenkins, *President of the Commission*.

The following spoke: Mr Megahy, who had tabled a question on the same subject for Question Time, Mrs van den Heuvel, on behalf of the Socialist Group, first

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to raise a point of order and then in the joint debate, Mr Nothomb, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD-Group) and Lady Elles, on behalf of the European Democratic Group.

*(The sitting was suspended at 1 p.m. and resumed at 3 p.m.)*

IN THE CHAIR: MR KATZER

*Vice-President*

#### 11. Council Statement on the situation in Iran

Mr Colombo, *Président-in-Office of the Council*, made a statement on the situation in Iran.

#### 12. Relations between Parliament and the Commission — Report on the European institutions by the Committee of Three — Institutional aspects of Greek accession (continuation of debate)

Resuming the joint debate, the following spoke: Mr De Pasquale, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Haagerup, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr de la Malene, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Mrs Hammerich, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr De Goede, non-attached member, Mr Hänsch, Mr Blumenfeld, Sir Fred Catherwood, Mr Baillot, Mr Druon, Mr Paisley, Mrs Castle, Mr Antoniozzi, Mr Møller and Mr Romualdi.

IN THE CHAIR: MR DANKERT

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Fich, Mr Pfennig, Mr Tuckman, Mrs Focke, Mr Penders, Mr Prout, Mr Ferri, *Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee*, and Mr Battersby.

The President stated that the motions for resolutions would be put to the vote, together with the amendments tabled to them, at the next voting tim (*see item 23 of the minutes of 17 April*).

He declared the debate closed.

Mr De Goede spoke.

#### 13. Order of business

The President proposed that the beginning of Question Time be postponed by a quarter of an hour without, however, shortening it, so as to enable the Council to give its views on the Ruffolo report (Doc. 1-63/80); the debate on this report had been postponed until the following morning so as not to exceed the agreed duration of that day's sitting.

Parliament agreed to this proposal.

#### 14. European monetary system (debate)

Mr Ruffolo introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, on the European monetary system as an aspect of the international monetary system (Doc. 1-63/89).

Mr Colombo, *President-in-Office of the Council*, spoke.

#### 15. Question Time

The next item was the continuation and conclusion of Question Time (Doc. 1-72/80).

#### Questions to the Council

— Question No 54 by Mrs Chouraqui on the reform of the international monetary system had been postponed to the next part-session at the author's request.

#### Question No 55 by Mr Rogers: Conscientious objectors

Mr Zamberletti, *President-in-Office of the Council*, answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Rogers, Mrs Weber and Ms Clwyd.

Mr Galland put a supplementary question.

Mr Zamberletti answered a supplementary question by Mrs van den Heuvel.

Mr Galland raised a point of order.

Mr Zamberletti answered the supplementary question put earlier by Mr Galland.

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**Question No 56 by Mr Linde: Right of individuals to appeal to the Commission of Human Rights**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Linde and Mr Schwartzberg.

— Question No 57 by Mr Megahy on the role and powers of the European Parliament was not taken since the subject already figured on the agenda for the part-session. However, its author had had a prior right to speak in that morning's debate on the subject.

**Question No 58 by Mr Fergusson: Rational use of national budgets**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question.

Mr Fergusson spoke.

**Question No 59 by Mr Tyrrell: Financial legislations in the field of transport infrastructure**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Tyrrell and Mr Patterson.

**Question No 60 by Mr O'Connell: Council delays on consumer directives**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr O'Connell and Mr Newton Dunn

**Question No 61 by Mr Collins: Product liability**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Collins, Mr Battersby, Mr Marshall, Mr O'Connell and Mr Sherlock.

**Question No 62 by Mr Muntingh: Support to common projects for hydrocarbon exploration**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Muntingh, Mrs Lizin, Mr Schmidt, Mr Colla and Mrs Krouwel-Vlam

**Question No 63 by Mr Bettiza: Development of relations between the European Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mr Bettiza and Mrs Bonino.

**Questions to the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation**

**Question No 73 by Mr Rogers: The death penalty**

Mr Zamberletti, *President-in-Office of the Foreign Ministers*, answered the question and a supplementary question by Mr Rogers.

**Question No 74 by Mrs Ewing: Political refugees from Chile and the Argentine**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and supplementary questions by Mrs Ewing and Mrs Lizin

**Question No 75 by Mr Fergusson: Afghanistan**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and a supplementary question by Mr Fergusson.

— Question No 76 by Mr d'Ormesson on the protection of sealinks between Europe and the oil and raw materials producing countries had been postponed to the next part-session at the author's request.

**Question No 77 by Mr Schwartzberg: Relations between the European Community and Israel**

Mr Zamberletti answered the question and a supplementary question by Mr Schwartzberg.

The President declared Question Time closed.

He stated that questions which it had not been possible to deal with would be answered in writing unless their authors withdrew them or asked for them to be held over until the next Question Time.

## 16. Urgent debate

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution from Mr Boyes, Mr Adam, Mr Albers, Mrs Bonino, Mrs Buchan, Mr Caborn, Mr Capanna, Mrs Clwyd, Mr Cohen, Mr Collins, Mr Delors, Mr Estier, Mrs Ewing, Mr Hume, Mr Lomas, Mr Megahy, Mr Van Minnen, Mr Paisley, Miss Quin, Mr Seal, Mr J. D. Taylor and Mr von der Vring, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the electronic voting system of Parliament (Doc. 1-109/80).

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The reasons supporting this request for urgent debate were contained in the document itself.

He announced that, pursuant to Rule 14 (1) second subparagraph, he would consult Parliament on this request at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

#### 17. Composition of Parliament

The President informed Parliament that the competent Italian authorities had notified him, by letter of 14 April 1980, of the appointment of Mr Antonio del Duca as Member of Parliament to replace Mr Colombo.

He welcomed this new member who, pursuant to Rule 3 (3), would provisionally take his seat in Parliament and on its committees with the same rights as other Members.

#### 18. Composition of committees

At the request of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Parliament ratified the appointment of Mrs Cassanmagnaco Cerretti as member of the Political Affairs Committee.

#### 19. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting on Thursday, 17 April 1980:

*10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 12 midnight:*

- decision on urgency;
- Ruffolo report on the EMS (continuation);
- Linde report on energy saving;
- joint debate on two oral questions to the Commission, the first on the surveillance of shipping routes, the second on the code of conduct for oil tankers;
- Seligman report on an EAEC research programme;
- Poncelet report on textiles/clothing;
- oral question with debate to the Commission on the 'World Conservation Strategy';
- Nyborg report on public supply contracts;
- oral question with debate to the Commission on defective products;
- Maij-Weggen report on colouring matters in foodstuffs;
- Combe report on intra-Community trade in fresh meat;
- Seal interim report on the EEC-India cooperation agreement.

*3 p.m. to 5 p.m. ::*

- debate on the situation in Iran.

*6 p.m. :*

- voting time.

*(The sitting was closed at 7.25 p.m.)*

H.-J. OPITZ

*Secretary-General*

Marcel VANDEWIELE

*Vice-President*

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF THURSDAY 17 APRIL 1980

IN THE CHAIR: Mr VANDEWIELE

*Vice-President**(The sitting was opened at 10 a. m.)***1. Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the previous day's sitting were approved.

— report by Mr Michel, on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-5/80) for regulations concerning food aid in 1980 (Doc. 1-105/80);

**2. Agenda**

Mr Glinne, on behalf of the Socialist Group, spoke on the inclusion on that day's agenda of oral questions Docs. 1-30/80/rev. and 1-50/80/rev. and on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Scott-Hopkins, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, to wind up the debate on oral question Doc. 1-30/80/rev. (Doc. 1-108/80).

He requested separate debates on Docs. 1-30/80/rev. and 1-59/80/rev.

The President proposed that this request be submitted to the Bureau which would be meeting that morning.

Mr Glinne and Mr Scott-Hopkins spoke.

Parliament agreed to the President's proposal.

**3. Documents received**

The President announced that he had received:

(a) from the committees, the following reports:

— report by Mr Woltjer, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-35/80) for a regulation laying down for 1980 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Sweden (Doc. 1-102/80);

(b) the following motions for resolutions, tabled pursuant to Rule 25;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Lalor on the situation in South Lebanon (Doc. 1-99/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee;

— motion for a resolution by Mrs Charzat, Mrs Roudy, Mr Sarre and Mr Loo on the situation in the Middle East (Doc. 1-101/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee;

— motion for a resolution by Mrs Roudy, Mr Schwartzberg, Mr Colla and Mr Glinne on the protection of private life — control of telephone tapping (Doc. 1-103/80)

which had been referred to the Legal Affairs Committee;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Romualdi, Mr Almirante, Mr Buttafuoco and Mr Petronio on the problems involved in the freeing of the hostages in the US Embassy in Tehran (Doc. 1-104/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee;

— motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Johnson, Mr Simpson, Mrs Weber, Mr Price, Mr Prag, Mr Newton Dunn, Miss Roberts, Miss Hooper, Miss Forster, Mr Spicer, Mr Marshall and Mr Collins on Community trade in seal products and in particular in products deriving from the 'whitecoat' pups of harp and hooded seals (*papophilus groenlandicus* and *cystophora cristata*) (Doc. 1-106/80)

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which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

- motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Leonardi and Mr Bonaccini, on the restructuring of the Community steel industry (Doc. 1-107/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs.

#### 4. Statement by the President on motion for a resolution Doc. 1-583/79

The President informed Parliament that the chairman of the Committee on Transport had notified him that his committee had decided not to draw up a report on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Lima, pursuant to Rule 25, on the motorway situation between Brussels, Luxembourg and Strasbourg (Doc. 1-583/79) which had been referred to it on 10 December 1979 (*see item 7 of that day's minutes*) but to take account of the problems raised in this motion for a resolution in the report which it was drawing up on the Commission memorandum on the Community's role in the development of transport infrastructures.

#### 5. Decision on urgency

The next item was the decision on the urgency of two motions for resolutions:

- *Motion for a resolution by Mr Jaquet and others on events in Tunisia* (Doc. 1-100/80)

The following spoke: Mr Sarre and Mr Chambeiron, on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

This item was entered on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

- *Motion for a resolution by Mr Boyes and others on the electronic voting system of Parliament* (Doc. 1-109/80)

Mr Boyes spoke.

Urgent procedure was adopted.

This item was entered on the agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April.

#### 6. European monetary system (continuation)

The next item was the continuation of the debate on the report by Mr Ruffolo (Doc. 1-63/80) (*see item 14 of minutes of 16 April*).

The following spoke: Mr Moreau, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Herman, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Hopper, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, and Mrs Poirier, Communist and Allies Group.

#### 7. Speech of welcome

The President, on behalf of Parliament, welcomed Mr Lemke, President of the Landtag of Schleswig-Holstein, who had taken his seat in the official gallery.

#### 8. European monetary system (continuation of debate)

The following spoke: Mr Damseaux, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Ansquer, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Mrs Castellina, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr Walter, Mr Giavazzi and Mr Bonaccini.

IN THE CHAIR: MR MÖLLER

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Seal, Mr Fich, the rapporteur, Mr Delors, *Chairman of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs*, and Mr Ortoli, *Vice-President of the Commission*.

The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments that had been tabled to it, at the next voting time (*see item 24 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

#### 9. Urgent debate

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Glinne, Mr Arndt, Mrs Van den Heuvel, Mrs Focke, Mr Estier, Mr Seefeld, Mr Hänsch, Mr Zagari, Mr Linde, Mr Seeler, Mr Lezzi, Mr Didò, Mr Jaquet, Mrs Roudy, Mr Klinckenborg, Mr Moreau, Mr Karl Schön, Mr Brandt, Mrs Weber, Mr Gabert, Mr Key, Mr Walter, Mr Cohen.

The reasons Mr Colla, Mr Loo and Mr Colling, on behalf of the Socialist Group, were contained in with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, on the situation created by the taking of hostages in Tehran.



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In accordance (Doc. 1-113/80) taken by Parliament the previous day (*see items 3 and 8 of the minutes of 16 April*), the debate on this resolution and the other resolutions concerning the same subject would be held at 3 o'clock that afternoon.

#### 10. Composition of committees

At the request of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Parliament ratified the appointment of Mr Del Duca as member of the Committee on Youth, Culture, Education, Information and Sport to replace Mr Piccoli.

#### 11. Agenda

The President announced that, at its meeting that morning, the enlarged Bureau had decided to propose that Parliament consider separately the oral question Doc. 1-30/80/rev. on the surveillance of shipping routes and the oral question Doc. 1-59/80/rev. on the code of conduct for oil tankers, initially scheduled to be taken in joint debate that day.

Parliament agreed to this proposal.

Mr de Courcy Ling spoke.

#### 12. Speaking time for the debate on Iran

The President announced that, again at its meeting that morning, the enlarged Bureau had decided on the following allocation of speaking time for the debate on the situation in Iran, due to be held from 3 to 5 p. m. that afternoon:

- Council and Commission: 15 minutes in all,
- Socialist Group: 15 minutes,
- Group of the European People's Party (CD Group): 15 minutes,
- European Democratic Group: 15 minutes,
- Communist and Allies Group: 10 minutes,
- Liberal and Democratic Group: 10 minutes,
- Group of European Progressive Democrats: 10 minutes,
- Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members: 10 minutes,
- non-attached members: 10 minutes.

Parliament agreed to this allocation of speaking time.

#### 13. New lines of action by the Community in the field of energy saving (debate)

Mr Linde introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Energy and Research, on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 217/79) on new lines of action by the European Community in the field of energy saving (Doc. 1-816/79).

Mrs Groes spoke on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Fuchs on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Lord Douro on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Ippolito on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group and Mr Calvez on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group.

#### 14. Agenda

The President announced that Mr Poncelet had requested that his report on a second research programme in the field of textiles and clothing (Doc. 1-730/79) be postponed until the next part-session.

Parliament agreed to this request.

Mr Beazley spoke.

*(The sitting was suspended at 1 p. m. and resumed at 3 p. m.)*

IN THE CHAIR: MRS DE MARCH

*Vice-President*

Mrs Macciocchi paid tribute to the memory of Jean-Paul Sartre, who had recently died.

#### 15. Verification of credentials

On a proposal from the Bureau, pursuant to Rule 3 (1), Parliament ratified the mandates of Mr. Jalton, whose nomination had been announced on 10 March 1980 (*see item 2 of the minutes of that date*) and Mr Del Duca, whose nomination had been announced on 16 April (*see item 17 of the minutes of that date*).

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16. Situation in Iran (debate)

The next item was the debate on the situation in Iran on the basis of three motions for resolutions (Doc. 1-89/80/rev. II, Doc. 1-98/80 and Doc. 1-113/80).

Mr Fergusson introduced the motion for a resolution which he had tabled on behalf of the European Democratic Group together with Mr Blumenfeld on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr Berkhouwer on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group on the plight of the Americans held captive in Tehran (Doc. 1-89/80/rev. II).

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, spoke.

Mr Glinne introduced the motion for a resolution which he and Mr Arndt, Mrs van den Heuvel, Mrs Focke, Mr Estier, Mr Seefeld, Mr Hänsch, Mr Zagari, Mr Linde, Mr Seeler, Mr Lezzi, Mr Didò, Mr Jaquet, Mrs Roudy, Mr Klinkenborg, Mr Moreau, Mr Karl Schön, Mr Brandt, Mrs Weber, Mr Gabert, Mr Key, Mr Walter, Mr Cohen, Mr Colla, Mr Loo and Mr Collins, on behalf of the Socialist Group, on the situation created by the taking of hostages in Tehran (Doc. 1-113/80); he spoke also on behalf of the Socialist Group.

The following spoke: Mr Blumenfeld on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Galluzzi, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Berkhouwer, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Ansquer on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Mr Capanna, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr Paisley, non-attached member, Mr Pedini, Mrs Macciocchi, Mr Romualdi, Mr De Goede, Mrs Castellina, Mrs Hammerich and Sir Fred Warner.

IN THE CHAIR: MR JAQUET

*Vice-President*

Mr Prag withdrew motion for a resolution (Doc. 1-98/80).

Mrs De March and Mr Zamberletti, *President-in-Office of the Council*, spoke.

The President announced that the motions for resolutions would be put to the vote, together with the amendments that had been tabled, at the next voting time (*see item 17 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

*(The sitting was suspended at 5 p. m. to enable Mr Luis Herrera Campins, President of the Republic of Venezuela, to address the House, and resumed at 6 p. m.)*

IN THE CHAIR: MR PFLIMLIN

*Vice-President*

17. Situation in Iran (vote)

The next item was the vote on two motions for resolutions concerning the situation in Iran.

— *Motion for a resolution by Mr Fergusson, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Blumenfeld, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Berkhouwer, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group (Doc. 1-89/180/rev. II)*

Mr de la Malène had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to replace the entire motion for a resolution by a new text.

Mr Fergusson spoke.

Amendment No 1 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the first indent of the preamble.

On the second indent of the preamble, Mr Capanna, Mrs Castellina, Mr Coppieters and Mrs Macciocchi had tabled amendment No 3 seeking to delete this indent.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the second indent of the preamble.

Parliament adopted the third indent of the preamble.

On the fourth indent of the preamble, two amendments had been tabled:

— No 4 by Mr Capanna and others,

— No 11 by Mr Glinne on behalf of the Socialist Group,

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both seeking to replace this indent by a new text.

Amendment No 6 was rejected.

Amendment No 4 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the first sentence of paragraph 3.

Amendment No 11 was rejected.

Amendment No 12/rev. was rejected.

Parliament adopted the fourth indent of the preamble.

Parliament adopted the first and then the second indents of paragraph 3.

On the fifth indent of the preamble, Mr Capanna and others had tabled amendment No 5 seeking to replace this indent by a new text.

Amendment No 9/rev. was rejected.

Amendment No 5 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the third indent of paragraph 3.

Parliament adopted the fifth and then the sixth indents of the preamble.

On paragraph 4, two amendments had been tabled:

— No 7 by Mr Capanna and others seeking to delete this paragraph,

Mrs Castellina and Mr Capanna had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to replace paragraphs 1 to 4 by a new text.

— No 10 by Mr Glinne, on behalf of the Socialist Group, seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

Amendment No 2 was rejected.

Amendment No 7 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 1 and 2.

Amendment No 10 was rejected.

On paragraph 3, three amendments had been tabled:

Parliament adopted paragraph 4.

— No 6 by Mr Capanna and others seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text,

On paragraph 5, Mr Capanna and others had tabled amendment No 8 seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

— No 12/rev. by Mr Glinne, on behalf of the Socialist Group, seeking to delete the first indent of this paragraph,

Amendment No 8 was rejected.

— No 9/rev. by Mr Glinne, on behalf of the Socialist Group, seeking to replace the third indent of this paragraph by a new text.

Parliament adopted paragraph 5.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

##### on the plight of the Americans held captive in Tehran

*The European Parliament,*

— recalling its resolutions of 16 November 1979 and 14 March 1980 requiring the Iranian authorities to effect immediately the release of the hostages held in the Embassy of the United States of America in Tehran <sup>(1)</sup>,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 309, 10. 12. 1979, p. 61 and OJ No C 85, 8. 4. 1980, p. 97.

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- further recalling the resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations requesting the imposition of economic sanctions on Iran if the hostages continue to be held captive,
  - welcoming the statement of the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation on 10 April 1980 in Lisbon,
  - recognizing the danger that prolonged violation of international treaty obligations can lead to the use of force in the pursuit of just objectives.
  - anxious that traditional friendly relations between Iran and the countries of the European Community be restored as soon as possible,
  - expressing its deep sympathy with the hostages and with their families in the United States of America,
1. Renews its condemnation of the Iranian authorities for permitting the illegal detention of diplomatic personnel;
  2. Calls again, therefore, on the Iranian authorities to contrive the speedy release of those hostages, giving a specific date for this release;
  3. Urges the Nine:
    - to take all necessary and practicable steps, acting in full consultation with the United States of America and other members of the Atlantic Alliance, to oblige the Iranian authorities to release the hostages,
    - to formulate a common policy in this regard and with due consideration for the critical political conditions in the region, so that they can act in concert,
    - to contemplate, in the event of the hostages not being released, the suspension of diplomatic relations between Iran and the Member States of the Community;
  4. Expresses, in countering this grave threat to peace and to the rule of international law, its support for the United States of America as the principal victim, at present, of this outrageous breach of the normal conduct of peaceful relations between States;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the European Council, to the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation, to the Council and Commission, to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and to the Ambassadors of Iran in the capitals of the Nine.

— *Motion for a resolution by Mr Glinne and others, on behalf of the Socialist Group (Doc. 1-113/80).*

Parliament rejected this motion for a resolution.

18. **Involving the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process (vote)**

The next item was the vote on three motions for resolutions (Docs. 1-85/80, 1-90/80 and 1-91/80).

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Mr Gouthier and Mr Barbi declared themselves willing to withdraw the motions for resolutions (Docs. 1-85/80 and 1-91/80) in favour of amendment No 1 to motion for a resolution (Doc. 1-90/80.)

Mr. Cecovini proposed that Parliament should vote first on motion for a resolution (Doc. 1-90/80.)

Parliament agreed to this proposal.

— *Motion for a resolution by Mr Cecovini, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group* (Doc. 1-90/80)

Mr Arfè, Mr Bangemann, Mr Barbi, Mr Bersani, Mr Bettiza, Mr Bocklet, Mrs Bonino, Mr Calvez,

Mr Cariglia,, Mr Carossino, Mr Cecovini, Mr Ceravolo, Mr Colleselli, Mr Didò, Mr Fuchs, Mr Gabert, Mrs Gaiotti De Biase, Mr Ghergo, Mr Gouthier, Mr Habsburg, Mr Hamilius, Mr Irmer, Mr Lezzi, Mr Modiano, Mr Nord, Mr Oriandi, Mr Papapietro, Mr Ripa di Meana, Mr Sassano, Mr Seefeld, Mr Spinnelli, Mrs Squarcialupi and Mr Travaglini had tables amendment No 1 seeking to replace the entire motion for a resolution by a new text.

Amendment No 1 was adopted.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

on the plan to involve the Northern Adriatic in the European unification process by using the ports of Trieste and Monfalcone

*The European Parliament,*

- considering that the European Community cannot postpone any longer the effective coordination of current efforts to rationalize and expand the Community's internal transport network and its links with third countries,
- considering in this context that it is particularly important to improve North-South transport routes in view of the growing importance of relations between the Community and the countries of Africa and Asia,
- considering that the Adriatic therefore constitutes the ideal terminus for the maritime routes linking these countries with those of Central Europe,
- having regard to the problems resulting from the expansion of the Community into the eastern Mediterranean as a result of the forthcoming accession of Greece and the EEC-Yugoslavia cooperation agreement,
- drawing attention to the energy savings which could be achieved by opening rapid transport links with the south which would considerably shorten the traditional routes from the Countries in the central part of the Community towards Suez,
- having regard to Community participation in the financing of the Austrian motorway from Passau to Spiefeld, which would establish a direct link between Greece, Yugoslavia and northern Europe, with serious repercussions for the regions in the south-east of the Community,
- considering that the improvement of communications across the Alps will also strengthen cooperation between all the regions situated between the Alps and the Adriatic, including those in countries which do not form part of the Community, and that the projects envisaged must therefore not in any way prejudice other projects planned and submitted to the Community by the regions concerned,

1. Decides, in view also of the recent agreement between the EEC and Yugoslavia and of Greece's forthcoming accession to the Community, to recommend the Council and Commission to examine the projects, which must be coordinated with the projects planned

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by the Countries concerned so as to create an integrated system of direct road and rail links between Bavaria and the ports of Trieste and Monfalcone and between Trieste and Gorizia and Yugoslavia;

2. Calls for an initial Community contribution of 2 million EUA towards the elaboration of these projects;

3. Asks that the ports of the Upper Adriatic (and the other Italian ports) be included among the infrastructures eligible for financial aid from the European Community;

4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission and to the Community regions and third countries concerned.

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19. **Human rights in Chile** (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Van Miert report (Doc. 1-821/79).

Parliament adopted the preamble and paragraphs 1 and 2.

After paragraph 2, Mr Welsh and others had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Mr Colla, deputizing for the rapporteur, spoke.

Amendment No 1 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 3 and 4.

The President announced that he had been asked to hold a separate vote on paragraph 5.

Since the result of the show of hands was doubtful, Parliament took a fresh vote by sitting and standing and adopted paragraph 5.

Parliament adopted paragraph 6.

Mrs Groes and Mr Fich gave explanations of vote.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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## RESOLUTION

## on the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Chile

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the various urgent appeals and petitions which have reached it on the situation in Chile.
- having regard to the serious accusations made against the Chilean authorities by the Human Rights Commission of the Organization of American States <sup>(1)</sup>, Amnesty International <sup>(2)</sup> and the Chilean Catholic Church <sup>(3)</sup> and other organizations campaigning for the respect of human rights,
- deeply disturbed at the continuous and flagrant violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms still suffered by Chilean nationals because there are no adequate constitutional and judicial safeguards of these rights and freedoms, at infringements of the liberty and integrity of their persons, in particular through the use of systematic intimidation including the disappearance of persons for political reasons, arbitrary arrest, detention, deportation, exile, torture and even murder, which have become the means of perpetuating a government which seized power illegally <sup>(4)</sup>,
- having regard to the fact that this oppression is increasing again in Chile and that it strikes indiscriminately at all political and social groups without sparing ordinary citizens and their families,
- drawing attention to the resolution on the protection of human rights in Chile adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 15 December 1977 with all nine Member States voting in favour,
- recalling its own previous resolutions <sup>(5)</sup>,
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-821/79),

1. Reaffirms the solidarity of the peoples of the Community with the Chilean refugees, with the oppressed Chilean nation and with those who are working for a return to constitutional democracy in Chile;
2. Reiterates its condemnation of any kind of cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment or treatment and all forms of torture, in particular those inflicted on children and young people as reported by Amnesty International <sup>(6)</sup>;

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<sup>(1)</sup> See the Annual Report of the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights, 1977 — General Secretariat of the Organization of American States — Washington, and the Annual Report of the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights to the General Assembly (Spanish original) — General Secretariat of the Organization of American States — AG./Doc. 1101/79 — Washington, 5 October 1979.

<sup>(2)</sup> See Annual Report — London, 1977, 1978 and 1979 and 'The disappearance of Chilean prisoners — Report on political prisoners secretly detained in Chile' — London, March 1977.

<sup>(3)</sup> See Human Rights Internet Newsletter (HRI) — Vol. 4 — Nos 3 and 4 — Washington, November/December 1978.

<sup>(4)</sup> See the report by Mr Dieye, the special rapporteur appointed on 6 March 1979 by the UN Human Rights Commission, entitled 'Report of the Economic and Social Council — United Nations General Assembly: Protection of human rights in Chile' — Doc. A/34/583 of 21 November 1979, and the report by Mr Ermarcora and Mr Sadi on missing persons in Chile, see bibliography, Annex II to Doc. 1-821/79.

<sup>(5)</sup> Of 17 October 1973 (OJ No C 95, 10. 11. 1973); of 18 December 1975 (OJ No C 7, 12. 1. 1976); of 13 May 1976 (OJ No C 125, 8. 6. 1976) and of 15 October 1976 (OJ No C 259, 4. 11. 1976).

<sup>(6)</sup> See 'Children' — London 1979.

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3. Calls upon the Foreign Ministers of the Member States meeting in political cooperation to take all possible steps through both diplomatic channels and the United Nations so that:
  - (a) the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms of all oppressed political and social groups in Chile is effectively guaranteed and the maintenance and renewal of the international committees of inquiry such as the United Nations *ad hoc* committee is ensured;
  - (b) light is shed on the cases of the thousands of people who have disappeared in Chile; political prisoners are freed and exiles are allowed to return unconditionally and without discrimination, pursuant to the Chilean Constitution and the laws in force until 10 September 1973;
  
4. Resolves to use all its contacts outside the Community, particularly with the Latin-American Parliament and the United States Congress, with a view to generating parallel and concerted action in this field;
  
5. Urges the Council of the European Community and the governments of the Member States to suspend all economic and military aid until such time as human rights and fundamental freedoms are respected and the constitutional state and democracy restored;
  
6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission, the Foreign Ministers of the Member States meeting in political cooperation and the Governments of the Member States.

The following spoke: Mr Martin, who announced that the thirteen people condemned to death in Gafsa (Tunisia) had been executed, and Mr Sutra.

#### 20. Situation in Nicaragua (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Antoniozzi report (Doc. 1-723/79).

Parliament adopted the first two indents of the preamble.

After the second indent of the preamble, Mr Chambeiron, Mr Gremetz, Mr Denis, Mr Baillot, Mr Ferrero and Mrs Baduel Glorioso had tabled amendment No 4 seeking to replace the remainder of the motion for a resolution by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 4 was rejected.

On the third indent of the preamble, Mrs Lizin had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to replace this indent by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 1 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the third and then the fourth indents of the preamble.

On the fifth indent of the preamble, Mrs Lizin had tabled amendment No 3 seeking to replace this indent by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the fifth and then the sixth indents of the preamble.



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On paragraph 1, Mrs Lizin had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

Parliament adopted paragraph 1 and then paragraphs 2 to 4.

The rapporteur spoke.

Mr Chambeiron gave an explanation of vote on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group.

Amendment No 2 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

## RESOLUTION

### on the political situation in Nicaragua

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling its resolution of 28 September 1979 <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having regard to the motions for resolutions in (Docs. 1-229/79 and 1-236/79),
- welcoming the cessation of hostilities in Nicaragua and the culmination of the efforts of the Nicaraguan people in the restoration of democratic freedoms after a long period of dictatorship,
- hoping that this new situation will rapidly be consolidated by the establishment of a stable political system with the consent of the people,
- fully aware of Nicaragua's present grave economic difficulties which might — in the absence of remedial action — plunge that country back into political difficulties or into the hands of interests which hold liberty and the people's right to self-determination in low esteem,
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee and to the opinion of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 1-723/79),

1. Hopes that the Member States of the Community will continue their policy of strict neutrality towards Nicaragua and will invite their partners to take the same attitude and to encourage its observance by Nicaragua's neighbours as well;
2. Calls for the rapid implementation of aid programmes to Nicaragua and for their coordination to ensure the maximum effectiveness of the various operations undertaken;
3. Calls on the Commission to keep it regularly informed on developments in Nicaragua and of the nature, volume and effectiveness of Community aid;
4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 266, 22. 10. 1979, p. 62.

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21. **Human rights in Czechoslovakia** (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Hänsch report (Doc. 1-815/79).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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**on the respect for human rights in Czechoslovakia**

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling the Joint Declaration by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on the protection of human rights <sup>(1)</sup>,
- recalling its resolutions on respect for human rights in the world,
- recalling its resolutions of 9 April 1975, 11 May 1977 and 10 May 1978 on the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe <sup>(2)</sup>,
- recalling its resolution of 11 May 1979 on the trial of Mr J. Sabata <sup>(3)</sup>,
- recalling its resolution of 20 July 1979 on the arrest of dissidents in Czechoslovakia <sup>(4)</sup>,
- recalling its resolution of 26 October 1979 on the arrest of six Czechoslovakian citizens <sup>(5)</sup>,
- having regard to the motion for a resolution on political prisoners in Czechoslovakia tabled by Mr Glinne and Mr Pelikan on behalf of the Socialist Group (Doc. 1-230/79),
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-815/79),

1. Considers that the arrest and sentencing of individuals who seek to uphold human rights in Czechoslovakia constitute a violation of the Final Act of the Helsinki Conference;

2. Expresses its respect for the courage evidenced by all those who try to protect basic freedoms in Czechoslovakia;

3. Is of the opinion that such violations of undertakings recorded in the Final Act of the Helsinki Conference are likely to jeopardize the policy of détente which it wishes to see continued;

4. Insists that any trials should be run according to procedures which afford the defendants every possible guarantee and should be held in public and that, in particular, observers from independent human rights organizations should be able to attend them;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 103, 27. 4. 1977, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 95, 28. 4. 1975, p. 28; OJ No C 133, 6. 6. 1977, p. 32; OJ No C 131, 5. 6. 1978, p. 47.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 140, 5. 6. 1979, p. 152.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 203, 13. 8. 1979, p. 37.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 289, 19. 11. 1979, p. 57.

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## 5. Requests the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation:

- (a) to continue their efforts to ensure that the provisions of the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe are observed so as to put an end to violations of human rights in Czechoslovakia;
- (b) to make it plain to the Czechoslovakian authorities that violations of the Final Act of Helsinki threaten the success of the forthcoming Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe which is to be held in Madrid;

6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Foreign Ministers of the Member States meeting in political cooperation, asking them to report to the European Parliament, the Council and Commission and the action they have taken, and also to the Parliaments and Governments of the Member States.

22. **Right of residence for nationals of Member States in another Member State** (vote)

Amendment Nos 5 and 2 consequently fell.

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Gonella report (Doc. 1-40/80).

After Article 11, Mr Tyrrell had tabled on behalf of the European Democratic Group amendment No 4 seeking to delete the entire 'Council recommendation'.

The deputy rapporteur spoke.

Before considering the motion for a resolution proper, Parliament voted on the amendments to the proposal for a directive.

Amendment No 4 was rejected.

On Article 4 (2), two amendments had been tabled:

Parliament then voted on the motion for a resolution proper and first adopted the preamble.

— No 3 by Mr Tyrrell, on behalf of the European Democratic Group seeking to reinstate the Commission's text,

After the preamble, Mr Megahy, Mr Lomas, Mr Seal, Mr Rogers and Mrs Castle had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to replace the remainder of the motion by a new text.

— No 5 by Mr Tyrrell seeking to add a new subparagraph.

The deputy rapporteur spoke.

On Article 6 Mr Tyrrell had tabled on behalf of the European Democratic Group amendment No 2 seeking to reinstate the Commission's text. These three amendments were interrelated.

Amendment No 1 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 1 to 11.

Mr Ferri, deputizing for the rapporteur, spoke.

Mrs Maccocchi gave an explanation of vote.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on a right of residence for nationals of Member States in the territory of another Member State

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-324/79),
- having regard to the report by the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-40/80),

1. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has taken the first step towards implementing Parliament's resolution <sup>(2)</sup> on 'the granting of special rights to citizens of the European Community in implementation of the decision of the Paris Summit of December 1974 (point 11 of the final communiqué)';
2. Notes that the proposal for a Directive introduces a new dimension to previous legislation on freedom of movement and the right of establishment since it extends these rights to all citizens of the Community, independently of the pursuit of an economic activity;
3. Welcomes the fact that this will represent the first step towards the creation of a 'European citizenship';
4. Believes that the definition of 'members of the family' of the person to whom this right is granted is too restrictive, excluding from the proposal for a Directive family relationships which ought to be protected;
5. Notes that the Commission has based its definition of 'members of the family' on the provisions already in force for workers and self-employed persons;
6. Asks the Commission, therefore, to adopt the proposed amendment to paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article 1, and then to submit a proposal amending all the existing Community legislation on freedom of movement and the right of establishment, in order to bring the definition of members of the family into line with that contained in the proposed amendment, and to prevent discrimination between those who do not pursue an economic activity and workers;
7. Requests that the proposal should not grant Member States the power to make the exercise of the right of residence subject to proof that the applicant has sufficient resources;
8. Believes that such a condition would make the granting of the right of residence dependent upon socially discriminatory procedures, which would be contrary to the aims of the Treaties, and that, where appropriate, other measures must therefore be taken to resolve any difficulties that might arise from the differences in the levels of national assistance to which those without means are entitled;
9. Considers it desirable that the Member States be urged to extend Community rules concerning the right of residence, freedom of movement and right of establishment to cover stateless persons and refugees who, born in a non-member State, are resident in a State of the European Community;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 207, 17. 8. 1979, p. 4.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 299, 12. 12. 1977, p. 25.

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10. Approves the Commission's proposal with these reservations and subject to the following amendments;

11. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal, pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (\*)

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

**Directive on a right of residence for nationals of Member States in the territory of another Member State**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

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Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 56 (2) and 235 thereof,

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Remainder of preamble and first four recitals unchanged

Whereas Directive 64/221/EEC <sup>(1)</sup> coordinated special measures concerning the movement and residence of foreign nationals which are justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health;

Whereas Directive 64/221/EEC <sup>(2)</sup>, which is based on Article 56 (2) of the EEC Treaty, coordinated special measures concerning the movement and residence of foreign nationals which are justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health;

Whereas Directive 64/221/EEC should also apply to nationals of Member States moving within the Community independently of the pursuit of an economic activity;

unchanged

Whereas, therefore, for the sole purpose of extending the application of those provisions, this Directive should also be based on Article 56 (2) of the EEC Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

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*Article 1*

*Article 1*

1. Member States shall, under the conditions laid down in this Directive, abolish restrictions on movement and residence in respect of nationals of another Member State who reside or wish to reside in their territory and who are not covered by the provisions of Directive 68/360/EEC <sup>(2)</sup>, Regulation

1. unchanged

(\*) For complete text, see OJ No C 207, 17. 8. 1979, p. 14.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No 56, 4. 4. 1964, p. 850/64.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 257, 19. 10. 1968.

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TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

(EEC) No 1251/70 <sup>(1)</sup>, Directive 73/148/EEC <sup>(2)</sup> or Directive 75/34/EEC <sup>(3)</sup>.

2. They shall abolish these restrictions in respect of members of those nationals' families who do not personally come within the conditions laid down in Article 4(2) and who reside *with those nationals* on the territory of the host Member State.

2. They shall abolish these restrictions in respect of members of those nationals' families who do not personally come within the conditions laid down in Article 4 (2) and who **also** reside on the territory of the host Member State.

'Members of the family' of nationals of a Member State means:

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(a) the spouse and relatives in the descending line who are either dependent or under 18 and their spouses;

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(b) the dependent relatives in the ascending line and those of their spouse, irrespective of their nationality;

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(c) **any person whom the holder of the right of residence has an obligation to support or who is in practice dependent on the holder.**

3. *Member States shall favour the admission of any other member of the family of a national referred to in paragraph 1 or of the spouse of that national, when that member is dependent on them or was living under the same roof in the country of origin.*

3. **delete**

Articles 2 and 3 unchanged

Article 4

Article 4

Paragraph 1 unchanged

2. *Nevertheless, the Member States may require those citizens to provide proof of sufficient resources to provide for their own needs and the dependent members of their family referred to in Article 1(2) (a). Citizens of at least 18 years of age who are studying or wish to study in the host Member State may provide such proof by showing that their means of subsistence derive from a relative in the ascending line who does not live with them in the host country.*

2. **delete**

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 142, 30. 6. 1970.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 172, 28. 6. 1973.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 14, 20. 1. 1975.

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TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

*Member States may not require such resources to be greater than the minimum subsistence level defined under their law.*

3. The Member States recognize a permanent right of residence for members of the family referred to in Article 1 (2) of any one who possesses such right by virtue of the preceding paragraph. This provision applies even after the decease of the interested party.

3. unchanged

#### Article 5 unchanged

##### Article 6

For the issue of the residence permit, Member States may require only the production of the following documents:

- by the applicant:
  - (a) the document under cover of which he entered their territory,
  - (b) *documents proving that he has at his disposal the resources referred to in Article 4 (2);*
- by the members of the family:
  - (c) the document under cover of which they entered the territory,
  - (d) a document issued by the competent authority of the State of origin or the State whence they came proving their family relationship,
  - (e) in the cases referred to in Article 1 (2) and (3), a document issued by the competent authority of the State of origin or the State whence they came, certifying that they are dependent on the relative or live with him in this country.

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  - the document under cover of which they entered the territory,
  - a document issued by the competent authority of the State of origin or the State whence they came proving their family relationship,
  - in the cases referred to in Article 1 (2) and (3), a document issued by the competent authority of the State of origin or the State whence they came, certifying that they are dependent on the relative or live with him in this country.

#### Articles 7 to 11 unchanged

#### 'Council recommendation

The Council of the European Communities recommends that Member States give to stateless persons and persons having refugee status who were born in a non-member State and who are already resident in a State of the European Community the same treatment as that laid down by the rules on the right of residence, freedom of movement and right of establishment for nationals of Member States'.

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23. **Relations between Parliament and the Commission — Report on the European institutions by the Committee of Three — Institutional aspects of Greek accession (vote)**

The next item was the vote on three motions for resolution.

— *Motion for a resolution contained in the Rey report on relations between Parliament and the Commission (Doc. 1-71/80)*

Parliament adopted the preamble and paragraph 1.

On paragraph 2, three amendments had been tabled:

- No 3 by Mrs van den Heuvel (withdrawn),
- No 5 by Mrs Castle and Mr Megahy seeking to delete this paragraph,
- No 10 by Mrs Focke seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 5 was rejected.

Amendment No 10 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 2.

On paragraph 3, three amendments had been tabled:

- No 4 by Mrs van den Heuvel (withdrawn),
- No 6 by Mrs Castle and Mr Megahy seeking to delete this paragraph,
- No 9 by Mrs Focke seeking to amend this paragraph.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 6 was rejected.

Amendment no 9 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 3.

On paragraph 4, Mrs van den Heuvel had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 2 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 4 and then paragraph 5.

On paragraph 6, two amendments had been tabled:

- No 1 by Mrs van den Heuvel (withdrawn),
- No 11 by Mrs Focke seeking to replace this paragraph by a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 11 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 6.

On paragraph 7, Mrs Castle and Mr Megahy had tabled amendment No 7 seeking to delete this paragraph.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 7 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 7.

On paragraph 8, two amendments had been tabled:

- No 8 by Mrs Castle and Mr Megahy seeking to delete this paragraph,
- No 12 by Mrs Focke (withdrawn).

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 8 was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraph 8 and then paragraphs 9 and 10.

The following gave explanations of vote: Mr Roudy, on behalf of the French members of the Socialist Group, and Mr Coppieters.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:



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on the relations between the European Parliament and the Commission of the Community with a view to the forthcoming appointment of a new Commission

*The European Parliament,*

- considering that it has a duty, following its recent election by universal suffrage and with the further enlargement of the Community now imminent, to undertake a critical appraisal of the working of the Community institutions,
  - recalling its earlier studies and in particular the report of its Political Affairs Committee, drawn up by Mr Bertrand and adopted by the European Parliament on 10 July 1975 <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - recalling its earlier examination of the report, published in December 1975, by Mr Tindemans, who was instructed by the European Council in December 1974 to produce a study on European Union.
  - having studied the report, published in September 1979, of the review body chaired by Mr Spierenburg and the report of the 'Three Wise Men:' Mr Biesheuvel, Mr Dell and Mr Marjolin, dated October 1979,
  - having, for reasons of urgency, given priority in its deliberations to the problems relating to the Commission,
  - having noted:
    - (a) the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Luster and others on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) on the appointment of the Commission of the European Communities (Doc. 1-586/79),
    - (b) the motion for a resolution tabled by Mrs Hoff and others on the membership of the future Commission of the European Communities (Doc. 1-804/79),
  - having regard to the report of its Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-71/80),
1. Shares the view expressed in the aforementioned documents that the Commission plays and must play a key role in the Community, not merely at the administrative and technical level, but above all at the political level; it is essential, therefore, for Parliament to encourage the Commission to give priority to the political aspects of its activities;
  2. Considers that the membership of the Commission should be determined in accordance with the existing rules (now 13; after the accession of the three applicant countries, a maximum of 17);
  3. Feels that it should be consulted when the mandate of the President of the Commission is renewed and that it should hold a public debate in his presence ending with a vote of confidence ratifying his appointment; it is essential, therefore, for Parliament to encourage the Commission to give priority to the political aspects of its activities;
  4. Considers it essential for women to be adequately represented on the Commission as from 1 January 1981;
  5. Considers it most important to improve the system of coordination within the Commission and its Directorates-General; approves, therefore, the proposal henceforth to

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 179, 6. 8. 1975, p. 28.

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appoint a vice-president of the Commission with the special responsibility for coordination, to five full-time assistance to the President in this task;

6. Agrees with the 'Wise Men' in reiterating formally that, under the Treaties, the Commission is the natural executive organ of the Community and that consequently the many advisory bodies set up to liaise between Community organs and national government departments must under no circumstances acquire powers other than the advisory powers assigned to them, which would involve transferring to the Council the executive responsibilities of the Commission; therefore demands not only that this practice cease in the future, but also that a general regulation be issued as soon as possible to restore the existing bodies to their purely advisory capacity;

7. Considers that its right of censure implies that it should be consulted on Commission policy and should approve that policy before the Commission actually takes office and reserves the right to express its opinion each year on the Commission's programme, in the form of a vote;

8. Hopes, therefore, that its Political Affairs Committee will have the opportunity of holding a general exchange of views with the President-designate of the Commission on the programme envisaged, before the Commissioners are appointed; once the Commission has been officially appointed, Parliament will hold a public debate with it ending with a vote ratifying and expressing confidence in its appointment;

9. Requests that as soon as the Commission has been appointed, it conclude with Parliament an inter-institutional agreement to be used as a basis for selecting the procedures to be adopted to give effect to the undertaking to consult Parliament on all preliminary draft Commission decisions and not to prepare definitive texts for submission to the Council until agreement on the fundamental points has been reached with Parliament; requests the Commission, also, to make more correct use of the powers assigned to it by Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;

10. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission, to the Governments of the Member States and to the Greek Government.

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— *Motion for a resolution by Mr Scott-Hopkins and others on behalf of the European Democratic Group on the Committee of Three* (Doc. 1-33/80)

On behalf of the Socialist Group, Mrs van den Heuvel asked for the motion for a resolution to be referred to committee; this request was seconded by Mr Haagerup, Mr Spinelli on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group and Mr Scott-Hopkins.

Parliament agreed to this request. The motion was accordingly referred to the Political Affairs Committee.

— *Motion for a resolution contained in the Blumenfeld report on Greek accession to the Community* (Doc. 1-49/80)

Mrs Roudy gave an explanation of vote.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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## RESOLUTION

## on the institutional aspects of Greek accession to the European Community

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling the terms of its resolution of 14 March 1979 on the application by Greece for accession to the Community <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - welcoming the signature of the Treaty of Accession of Greece to the European Community on 28 May 1979,
  - expressing its hope that the ratification of the Treaty of Accession by the national parliaments of the Member States of the European Community will be completed rapidly,
  - noting with regret that the European Parliament was not consulted formally by the relevant institutions concerning the accession of Greece to the European Community,
  - regretting that the European Parliament was not consulted formally by the relevant institutions concerning the number and status of future Greek members of the European Parliament,
  - considering that the directly elected European Parliament is entitled to decide for itself in future on its election and composition pursuant to Article 138 (2) of the EEC Treaty and thus cannot accept changes in its status such as an increase in the number of members without its prior consent,
  - considering the effects on the working conditions of its members that will be caused by the increase in its membership following Greek accession, together with the administrative and linguistic consequences,
  - recalling that, through its Committee on Budgets, the European Parliament has already clearly stated that appropriations to meet the financial consequences of Greek accession will not be approved until it has independently approved the Treaty of Accession of Greece,
  - having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Pfennig and others (Doc. 1-346/79/rev.),
  - having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-49/80),
1. Ratifies the Treaty of 28 May 1979 on the Accession of Greece to the European Community;
  2. Urges the Greek Government to organize the holding of the direct election to the European Parliament of the 24 Greek members at the earliest possible date;
  3. Claims the right to be consulted formally in future by the relevant institutions at appropriate stages during the preparations for, and negotiation of, the accession of further European states to the European Community, and to participate in the ratification of acts of accession;
  4. Claims the right to be consulted concerning the consequences of the accession of European States to the European Community on the size of the membership and the working conditions of the European Parliament;
  5. To this end instructs its Political Affairs Committee to make proposals on:

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 93, 9. 4. 1979.

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- (a) the consultation of the European Parliament by the Commission and the Council concerning the application of European States to become full members of the European Community,
  - (b) the participation of the European Parliament in the ratification of treaties of accession, and
  - (c) the role of the European Parliament in the negotiation and ratification of other treaties and agreements;
6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission, to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States and to the Greek Government and Parliament.

#### 24. European Monetary System (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Ruffolo report (Doc. 1-63/80).

The President announced that he had been asked to hold separate votes on a number of paragraphs.

Parliament adopted the preamble.

Parliament adopted paragraph 1 and then paragraph 2.

After paragraph 2, Mr Diana had tabled amendment No 1/rev. seeking to insert a new paragraph.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 1/rev. was rejected.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 3 to 5.

Parliament adopted paragraph 6 and then paragraph 7.

After paragraph 7, Mr Hopper had tabled on behalf of the European Democratic Group amendment No 2 seeking to insert a new paragraph.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 2 was adopted.

Parliament adopted consecutively paragraphs 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 13 to 20.

The following gave explanations of vote: Mr Jaquet on behalf of the French members of the Socialist Group, Mrs Castle on behalf of certain Labour members of the Socialist Group, Mr Bonaccini on behalf of the Italian members of the Communist and Allies Group, Mr Bangemann on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group and Mrs Castellina.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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on the European monetary system (EMS) as an aspect of the international monetary system

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to the motions for resolutions (Docs. 1-356/79 and 1-418/79),

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 1-63/80),

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1. Endorses the principles underlying the agreement on the European monetary system, which represents a vital stage in the process of Community integration towards the objective of economic and monetary union,
2. Welcomes the resilience shown by the system during its first year of operation, although the two successive adjustments suggest that it might be too flexible and the two mechanisms, *viz.* the bilateral margins and the divergence indicator, did not function in a balanced manner;
3. Notes, however, that the EMS is still precarious and vulnerable in three fundamental respects: the failure to establish a genuine process of economic convergence and the inadequate coordination of the Economic, financial and monetary policies of the countries involved, the inadequacy of the monetary and credit instruments and the lack of a coordinated policy with regard to the international monetary system and the dollar in particular;

*A. With regard to the problems of economic convergence:*

4. Emphasizes that progress in the two directions which the process of economic integration should take — structural convergence aimed at establishing a model for balanced and differentiated economic growth, and economic policy convergence — has been inadequate and subject to delays;
5. Considers it necessary to promote the process of convergence through the revision or consolidation of existing, and the introduction of new, common policies: the revision of the agricultural policy, the consolidation of regional policy and the introduction of new common policies in the energy, industry and research sectors;
6. Points out that, for this purpose, it is necessary to strengthen the Community budget through an increase in its resources, which itself would be linked to and depend on a restructuring of the Community budget; this objective calls for a more balanced distribution of expenditure among the various sectors which should be linked, in a multiannual context, to the Community's medium-term programme aimed at achieving more harmonious growth and reducing disparities between the economies of the Member States;
7. Reaffirms that, to ensure effective coordination of national economic policies, this programme must lay down, for each country, growth objectives and constraints designed to create stability, in order to provide a firm economic basis for monetary and exchange discipline;
8. Welcomes the abolition of all exchange controls by the United Kingdom and the decision by the Federal Republic of Germany to ease informal controls on the inflow of capital, since the free movement of credit and capital is important to the functioning of the common market;

*B. with regard to the monetary and financial instruments of the EMS:*

9. Calls on the European Council to respect the original timetable (March 1981) for the 'second phase' of the EMS and to define the content of its various stages; stresses the need for the European Parliament to be consulted as a matter of course on all stages of the implementation of the EMS;

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10. Regrets that the United Kingdom has not yet been able to participate fully in the European monetary system, and hopes that the conditions on which it may become a full member will soon be fulfilled;

11. Asserts the need to achieve more effective coordination with regard to guidelines and the adoption of measures relating to monetary policy and interest rate adjustments, in line with the economic policy objectives and constraints referred to in paragraph 7;

12. Considers, therefore, that, with due regard for the responsibilities of the central banks and of the Member States, account should be taken of the Community's interests on the basis of an analysis of the likely effects of the exchange rate adjustments envisaged in the other countries belonging to the European monetary system;

13. Emphasizes, in particular, the importance of the decisions to be taken on the role and structure of the European Monetary Fund, which should gradually develop into a central monetary authority; the strengthening of the credit mechanisms and the decisions concerning the necessary exchange rate adjustments mean that the new institution will have to have sufficient autonomy in order, for example, to exercise control over Euro-currency movements and, more generally, to ensure the balanced functioning of the European capital and exchange markets; the monetary authority will thus operate in the context of a coordinated European monetary policy;

14. Draws attention, in this connection, to the need to define more closely the role of the ECU, which should ultimately be used for reserve and payment purposes in international trade;

15. Stresses, above all, that the ECU must be made fully acceptable and must be established on a permanent basis to form the liabilities of the EMF, assets being represented by credit;

16. Points out that this is the only way in which the ECU can be used as a point of reference for the reorganization of the international monetary system;

*C. with regard to the relationship between the EMS and the international monetary system:*

17. While recognizing that the effect of external economic and monetary fluctuations varies considerably from one Community country to another, affirms the need to reduce the risks ensuing from the EMS's present vulnerability to outside influences, by taking decisions designed to coordinate exchange policies towards the dollar and based on the numerous technical proposals already put forward;

18. Recommends that the Community adopt an active policy aimed at introducing and developing a dollar 'substitution account' with the IMF;

19. Is convinced that, with stronger economic cohesion between the countries involved (A) and the creation of common monetary policy instruments (B), the ECU will be able to play an important part in restoring balance to the international monetary system; as an international reserve currency the ECU could thus facilitate the recycling of the oil deficit by alleviating the increasingly serious debt problems of the developing countries; this should be accompanied by the reform of the international monetary system to enable the oil producing

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countries to have a full share in its management — and in the related responsibilities — and to provide substantial financial support to the poorest countries;

20. Emphasizes that these options are eminently political in nature and requests the Council, therefore, to go ahead with the necessary decisions, the responsible technical bodies having completed the preparatory work;

21. Instructs its president to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission.

**25. New lines of action by the Community in the field of energy saving** (continuation of debate)

The next item was the continuation of the debate on the Linde report (Doc. 1-816/79).

Mr Lalor spoke.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr ROGERS

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mrs Dekker Mr Sassano, Mr Moorhouse, Mr Petronio, Mr Müller-Hermann, Mr Brunner, *Member of the Commission*, and Mr Herman, deputizing for the Draftsman of the Opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments tabled to it, at the next voting time (*see item 16 of the minutes of 18 April*).

He declared the debate closed.

*(The sitting was suspended at 8.10 p.m. and resumed at 9.05 p.m.)*

IN THE CHAIR: Mr JAQUET,

*Vice-President*

**26. Surveillance of shipping routes for Community supplies**

Mr Baillot moved the previous question pursuant to Rule 32 (1).

Mr Veronesi and Mr Luster spoke.

Parliament rejected Mr Baillot's motion.

Mr. d'Ormesson moved the oral question with debate which he and Mr Klepsch, Mr Vergeer, Mr Tindemans, Mr Fischbach, Mr von Bismarck, Mr Diligent, Mr Diana, Mrs Walz, Mrs Moreau, Mr Barbi, Mr Simonnet, Mrs Rabbethge, Mr Modiano and Mr Pflimlin had put to the Commission on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) on the surveillance and protection of shipping routes for supplies of energy and strategic materials to the countries of the European Community (Doc. 1-30/80/rev.).

Mrs. Hammerich raised a point of order.

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question.

The following spoke: Mrs Charzat, Socialist Group, Mr von Hassel on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr de Courcy Ling on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Baillot, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Haagerup on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Deleau on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, Mr Skovmand, Mr Hutton, Mr Barbi, Mr Prag, Mrs Weber and Mr Hänsch.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr ZAGARI

*Vice-President*

Mr Schall, Mr von Bismarck, Mr Griffiths and Mr d'Ormesson spoke.

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr d'Ormesson, Mr

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Blumenfeld, Mr Bersani, Mr Schall and Mr Penders on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr de Courcy Ling and Mr Hutton on behalf of the European Democratic Group, with request for an early vote pursuant to Rule 47 (5), to wind up the debate on this oral question (Doc. 1-119/80).

He stated that he would consult Parliament on this request at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

He declared the debate closed.

#### 27. Code of conduct for oil tankers

Mrs Ewing moved the oral question with debate which she had put, together with Mrs Dienesch, Mr Cronin and Mr Nyborg, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, to the Commission of the code of conduct for oil tankers and vessels carrying noxious substances (Doc. 1-59/80/rev.)

Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, answered the question.

The following spoke: Mrs Weber on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Hoffmann on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Cottrell on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mrs Le Roux, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Calvez on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr Josselin, Mr Turner, Mrs Ewing and Mr Davignon.

The President announced that he had received two motions for resolutions, with request for an early vote pursuant to Rule 47 (5), to wind up the debate on this oral question:

— the first by Mrs Le Roux, Mrs De March, Mrs Poirier, Mr Wurtz and Mr Damette (Doc. 1-115/80),

— the second by Mr Cottrell, Mr Moreland, Mr Moorhouse, Mr Turner, Lady Elles, Mr Forth, Sir Fred Warner, Mr Prout, Miss Roberts, Miss Hooper, Mr Johnson, Mr Seligman, Mr Dalziel, Mr Tuckman, Mr C. Jackson, Mr Prag, Mr Sherlock, Mr J. D. Taylor, Mr Patterson, Sir John Stewart-Clark, Mr Welsh and Mr Balfour, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Calvez, Mr Haagerup and Mr Geurtsen, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, and Mr Janssen van Raay and Mr Hoffmann on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) — (Doc. 1-117/80).

He stated that he would consult Parliament on these requests at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

He declared the debate closed.

#### 28. Urgent debate

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Martin, Mr Ferrero, Mr Ansart, Mr Baillot, Mr Chambeiron, Mr Damette, Mr Denis, Mrs De March, Mr Fernandez, Mr Frischmann, Mrs Hoffmann, Mrs Le Roux, Mr Piquet, Mrs Poirier, Mr Maffre-Baugé, Mr Panthere, Mr Gremetz, Mrs Squarcialupi, Mr Verges, Mr Veronesi and Mr Wurtz, on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group, with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14, protesting against the execution of the thirteen persons condemned to death in Gafsa (Doc. 1-125/80).

The reasons supporting the request for urgency were contained in the document itself.

Pursuant to Rule 14 (1) second subparagraph, he would consult Parliament on this request at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

#### 29. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting on Friday, 18 April 1980:

9 a.m.:

- procedure without report;
- decision on requests for an early vote;
- decision on urgency.

10.30 a.m.:

- Voting time;
- Michel report on food aid;
- Woltjer report on vessels flying the Swedish flag (*without debate*);
- Glinne motion for a resolution of the assassination of Archbishop Romero;



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- Diligent motion for a resolution on the granting of asylum to Cuban citizens;
  - Pruvot motion for a resolution on political prisoners in Guinea;
  - Glinne motion for a resolution on marine pollution in Brittany;
  - Donnez motion for a resolution on EEC-US relations in the field of steel;
  - Jaquet motion for a resolution on events in Tunisia;
  - Boyes motion for a resolution on Parliament's electronic voting system;
  - Seligman report on research programmes;
  - oral question with debate to the Commission on the World Conservation Strategy;
  - Nyborg report on public Supply contracts;
  - oral question with debate to the Commission on defective products;
  - Maij-Weggen report on colouring matters;
  - Combe report on fresh meat;
  - Seal interim report on the EEC-India Cooperation Agreement;
  - von Wogau report on international travel;
  - Nyborg report on the stores of vessels;
  - Mihr report on the noise emission of construction plant;
  - von Wogau report on binary textile fibre mixtures (*without debate*);
  - Luster report on health problems in connection with the importation of animals (*without debate*);
  - Simonnet interim report on Parliament's administrative expenditure in 1979;
  - Ed. Kellett-Bowman report on the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions.
- End of sitting:*
- Voting time.
- Mr Seal, Mr Coppieters, Mr Johnson, Mr Normanton and Mr Luster spoke on this agenda.

*(The sitting was closed at 12.05 a.m.)*

H.-J. OPITZ

*Secretary-General*

Pierre PFLIMLIN

*Vice-President*

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF FRIDAY 18 APRIL 1980

IN THE CHAIR: MR PFLIMLIN

*Vice-President**(The sitting was opened at 9 a.m.)*

## 1. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the previous day's sitting were approved.

## 2. Documents received

The President announced that he had received the following motions for resolutions, tabled pursuant to Rule 25:

— motion for a resolution by Mr Ghergo, Mr Giavazzi, Mr Sassano and Mr Lima on a health passport (Doc. 1-110/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection as the committee responsible and to the Legal Affairs Committee for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Ghergo, Mr Giavazzi, Mr Sassano and Mr Lima on solidarity and mutual assistance between the Member States in the event of large-scale disasters (Doc. 1-111/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Coppieters on the allocation of responsibilities in the future Commission (Doc. 1-114/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Youth, Culture, Education, Information and Sport for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Glinne, Mr Brandt, Mr Colla, Mr Vernimmen, Mrs Lizin, Mrs Roudy, Mrs Charzat, Mr Josselin, Mr Sarre, Mr Moreau, Mrs Weber, Mrs Focke, Mrs Castle, Mrs Gredal, Mrs van den Heuvel, Mrs Viehoff, Mr Didò, Mrs Schmid, Mr Lezzi, Mr Hänsch, Mr Schwartzberg,

Mr Delors, Mr Walter, Mr Linde, Mrs Krouwel-Vlam, Mrs Hoff, Mr Collins, Mr Key, Mr Griffiths, Mr Muntingh, Mr Albers, Mr von der Vring on behalf of the Socialist Group, on the protection of individuals against data processing (Doc. 1-116/80)

which had been referred to the Legal Affairs Committee;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Kirk on the sitting of the European Fisheries Research Centre (Doc. 1-118/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Energy and Research for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Sherlock, Mr Battersby, Mr Moorhouse, Miss Hooper, Mr Howell, Mr Marshall, Mr J. D. Taylor, Miss Forster, Mr Harris, Mr Purvis, Mr Dalziel, Mr Hord, Mr Normanton, Mr R. Jackson, Mr Kellett-Bowman, Mr Moreland, Mr Prag, Lord O'Hagan, Mr Newton Dunn, Lord Harmar Nicholls, Lord Bethell, Sir David Nicolson on the transport of dangerous materials (Doc. 1-121/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Transport as the committee responsible and to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection for an opinion;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Maher on behalf of Liberal and Democratic Group, on Community forestry policy (Doc. 1-122/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

— motion for a resolution by Mr Coppieters, Mrs Castellina, Mrs Macciocchi and Mr Blaney on the trade of arms, munitions and military equipment (Doc. 1-123/80)

which had been referred to the Political Affairs Committee;

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— motion for a resolution by Mr Kirk on Community provisions for the conservation of fish stocks in EEC maritime waters (Doc. 1-124/80)

which had been referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

### 3. Composition of committees

At the request of the Socialist Group, Parliament ratified the appointment of Mr Jalton as member of the Committee on Youth, Culture, Education, Information and Sport to replace Mr Estier.

### 4. Petitions

The President announced that he had received:

— a petition from Mr Erhardt Jakobsen on behalf of the World Citizens Committee on the development of individual qualities on possibilities;

— a petition from Mr Svein Blom on behalf of the Norwegian section of War Resisters International on the question of conscientious objection.

These petitions had been entered under Nos 13 and 14/80 respectively in the register provided for in Rule 48<sup>(2)</sup>. Pursuant to paragraph 3 of that same rule, they had been referred to the Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Petitions.

The President also announced that, by letter of 1 February 1980, the Political Affairs Committee had requested that Petition Nos 21/78, 6/79, 10/79, 14/79 and 15/79 be filed without further action in view of the fact that the Committee on Transport was examining a motion for a resolution concerning the first, the Political Affairs Committee was drawing up a report on the subject dealt with in the next three and that the last concerned a subject which it was already considering in a different connection.

The President pointed out that the Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Petitions had agreed that these petitions should accordingly be filed without further action.

### 5. Statement concerning motion for a resolution Doc. 1-555/79/rev. II) Authorization of a report

The President announced that the chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee had informed him that his

committee had decided not to draw up a report on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Collins and others on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection, on the procedure for consulting the European Parliament (Doc. 1-555/79/rev.II), in view of the fact that in this case the consultation of Parliament was not compulsory and also that the Council had not yet taken a formal decision at the time when the motion had been tabled.

However, the Legal Affairs Committee had decided to request authorization to draw up a report on the matter since it would not be concluding its examination of the question before the ruling of the Court of Justice was published.

He stated that the President of Parliament had in the meantime authorized the Legal Affairs Committee to draw up this report.

### 6. Procedure without report

Since no-one had asked leave to speak and no amendments had been tabled to them, the President declared approved under the procedure without report provided for in Rule 27 A the following Commission proposals that had been announced at the sitting of Monday, 14 April :

— proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 77/99/EEC as regards medical examination of personnel engaged in the production of meat products (Doc. 1-721/79)

— proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 71/118/EEC as regards medical examination of personnel engaged in the production of poultrymeat (Doc. 1-722/79).

### 7. Agenda

Mr Coppieters asked for the Seligman report on the plutonium cycle and its safety (Doc. 1-813/79) to be held over until the May part-session.

Mr Seligman spoke.

Parliament rejected Mr Coppieters' request.

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#### 8. Decision on requests for an early vote

The next item was the decision on three requests for an early vote :

— *motion for a resolution by Mr. d'Ormesson and others on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), and Mr de Courcy Ling and Mr Hutton on behalf of the European Democratic Group on the surveillance and protection of shipping routes (Doc. 1-119/80)*

It was decided to hold an early vote on this motion, namely at the next voting time.

— *motion for a resolution by Mrs Le Roux and others on the code of conduct for oil tankers (Doc. 1-115/80)*

— *motion for a resolution by Mr Cottrell and others on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Calvez and others on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group and Mr Janssen van Raay and Mr Hoffmann on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) on the same subject (Doc. 1-117/80)*

It was decided to hold an early vote on these motions, namely at the next voting time.

Mrs Squarcialupi raised a point of order.

#### 9. Decision on urgency

The next item was the decision on the request for urgent debate on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Martin and others on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group on the execution of the thirteen persons condemned to death in Gafsa (Doc. 1-125/80).

The following spoke: Mr Martin, Mr Irmer, Mrs van den Heuvel on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Donnez on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group and Mrs Macciocchi on behalf of the Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members.

The request for urgent debate was rejected.

Pursuant to Rule 25, the motion for a resolution was referred to the appropriate committee.

#### 10. Food aid for 1980 (debate)

Mr Michel introduced his report drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for Regulations Concerning food aid in 1980 (Doc. 1-5/80) — (Doc. 1-105/80).

The following spoke: Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, and Mrs Focke on behalf of the Socialist Group.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 19 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

#### 11. Conservation of fishery resources

The next item was the report without debate, drawn up by Mr Woltjer on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-35/80) for a Regulation laying down for 1980 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources, applicable to vessels flying the Swedish flag (Doc. 1-102/80).

Since no-one had asked to speak, the President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 20 of these minutes*).

#### 12. Assassination of Archbishop Romero (debate)

Mr O'Connell introduced the motion for a resolution which he and Mr Glinne had tabled on behalf of the Socialist Group, together with Mr Pender, Mr Rumor, Mr Ryan and Mr Vergeer on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), condemning the assassination of Archbishop Romero (Doc. 1-74/80/rev.).

The following spoke: Mr Penders, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mrs Poirier and Mr Fergusson.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 21 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

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**13. Right of asylum for Cuban citizens (debate)**

Mr Seitlinger introduced the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Diligent, himself, Mr Langes, Mr Janssen van Raay, Mr Konrad Schön, Mr Fischbach, Mr Penders, Mr Colleselli, Mr Ryan, Mrs Boot, Mr Hahn, Mr Macario, Mr Helms, Mrs Lentz-Cornette, Mr Michel, Mr Simonnet, Mr Pöttering, Mrs Schleicher, Mrs Lenz, Mrs Maij-Weggen, Mr Hofmann and Mr Schall on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and Mr Baudis on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group on the granting of asylum to Cuban citizens (Doc. 1-84/80).

Mr Boyes spoke.

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*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Langes on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Lady Elles on behalf of the European Democratic Group and Mrs Hoffmann, Communist and Allies Group.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 22 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

**14. Situation of political prisoners in Guinea (debate)**

Mrs Pruvot introduced the motion for a resolution which she and Mr Donnez, Mr Delatte, Mr Baudis, Mr Nord, Mr Irmer, Mr Von Alemann, Mrs Martin, Mr de la Malène, Mrs Maij-Weggen, Mr Penders, Mr Michel, Mr Rossi, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Rey, Mr Delorozoy, Mr Bangemann, Mr Combe, Mr Berkhower, Mr Sable, Mr Calvez, Mr Caillavet and Mrs Macciocchi had tabled on the situation of political prisoners in the People's Republic of Guinea (Doc. 1-86/89).

Mr de Courcy Ling spoke on behalf of the European Democratic Group.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 23 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

**15. Regions of Brittany hit by oil pollution (debate)**

Mr Josselin introduced the motion for a resolution which he and Mr Glinne, Mr Delmotte, Mr Vernimmen, Mr von der Vring, Mrs Vayssade, Mr Schwartzberg, Mr Sarre, Mrs Cresson, Mrs Wiczoreck-Zeul, Mr Jaquet, Mr Delors, Mr Woltjer, Mrs Krouwel-Vlam, Mrs Viehoff, Mr Wettig, Mr Konrad Schön, Mrs Seibel-Emmerling, Mr Oehler, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Moreau, Mrs Weber and Mr Gabert had tabled, on behalf of the Socialist Group, on financial aid from the Community for the regions of Brittany hard hit by oil pollution (Doc. 1-87/80).

The following spoke: Mrs Le Roux, Mr Harris and Mr Tugendhat, *Member of the Commission*.

The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote at the next voting time (*see item 24 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

**16. New lines of action by the Community in the field of energy saving (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Linde report (Doc. 1-816/79).

Parliament adopted the preamble.

On paragraph 1, Mr Fuchs, Mr Müller-Hermann, Mr Sassano, Mr Herman and Mr Rinsche, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), had tabled amendment No 1 seeking to replace this paragraph with a new text.

The rapporteur requested a separate vote on the two halves of this amendment, the first of which ended with the words 'energy supplies'.

The first part of the amendment was adopted.

The second part of the amendment was adopted.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 2 to 4.

On paragraph 5, Mr Sassano had tabled amendment No 2 seeking to replace this paragraph with a new text.

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The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 2 was adopted.

Parliament adopted paragraph 6.

On paragraph 7, Mr Sassano had tabled amendment No 3 seeking to replace this paragraph with a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

As the result of the show of hands was doubtful, Parliament took a fresh vote by sitting and standing and adopted amendment No 3.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 8 to 11 and subparagraph (a) of paragraph 12.

On subparagraph (b) of paragraph 12, Mr Veronesi and Mr Linkohr had tabled amendment No 7 seeking to replace this subparagraph with a new text.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 7 was rejected.

Parliament adopted subparagraph (b), then subparagraph (c), of paragraph 12.

After subparagraph (c) of paragraph 12, Mr Sassano had tabled amendment No 5/rev. seeking to insert a new subparagraph (c) a.

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendment No 5/rev. was adopted.

Amendment No 4 on subparagraph (d) by Mr Sassano had been withdrawn.

Parliament adopted subparagraph (d) of paragraph 12.

Amendment No 6 by Mr Sassano seeking to insert a new paragraph 12a had been withdrawn.

Parliament adopted paragraphs 13 to 16.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on new lines of action by the European Community in the field of energy saving**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the communication from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 217/79),
- having regard to the opinion of the Section for Energy and Nuclear Questions on the communication from the Commission to the Council on new lines of action by the European Community in the field of energy saving and on the proposal for a Council resolution (COM(79) 312 final) (ESC 1039/79 final),
- recalling its earlier resolutions on proposals for energy saving, in particular on:
  - immediate measures to alleviate the energy supply crisis in the European Community <sup>(2)</sup>,
  - appropriate medium- and long-term measures for the further alleviation of the energy supply crisis in the European Community <sup>(3)</sup>,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 208, 18. 8. 1979, p. 4.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 2, 9. 1. 1974, p. 46.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 40, 8. 4. 1974, p. 55.

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- the communication from the Commission to the Council: 'Energy for Europe: Research and Development' <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - the first periodical report from the Commission to the Council on the Community action programme for the rational use of energy and draft recommendations of the Council (Doc. 314/76 <sup>(2)</sup>),
  - the proposals from the Commission to the Council for:
    - I. a Directive on the performance, maintenance and regulation of heat generators and the insulation of the distribution system in new buildings (Doc. 161/77)
    - II. a Directive on energy savings from the modernization of existing buildings in the Community (Doc. 162/77) (Doc. 309/77) <sup>(3)</sup>,
  - the proposals from the Commission to the Council (Doc. 158/77) for:
    - I. a Regulation on the granting of financial aid to demonstration projects in the field of energy saving
    - II. a Regulation on the granting of financial support for projects to exploit alternative energy sources (Doc. 362/77) <sup>(4)</sup>,
  - the proposals from the Commission to the Council (Doc. 274/78) for:
    - I. a Directive on the indication by labelling of the energy consumption of domestic appliances
    - II. a Directive applying to electric ovens the Council Directive on the indication by labelling of the energy consumption of domestic appliances (Doc. 671/78) <sup>(5)</sup>,
  - the communication from the Commission to the Council on the energy objectives of the Community for 1990 and convergence of policies of the Member States (Doc. 211/79) <sup>(6)</sup>,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy and Research and the opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 1-816/79),
1. Stresses the vital importance to save energy by avoiding wastage and ensuring more rational utilization of energy supplies: in particular, a more favourable relationship must be established between economic growth and energy consumption;
  2. Endorses the widely expressed view that practical action is absolutely essential both in the energy conservation sector and with regard to constant research into means of saving energy and the rational use of energy;
  3. Does not underestimate the progress already made, but considers it inadequate;
  4. Calls urgently for measures for immediate implementation;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 60, 13. 3. 1975, p. 34.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 259, 4. 11. 1976, p. 45.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 266, 7. 11. 1977, p. 55.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 299, 12. 12. 1977, p. 50.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 93, 9. 4. 1979, p. 72.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No C 59, 10. 3. 1980, p. 41.

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5. Recognizes the stimulating effect that energy-saving measures can have on the employment market either as a consequence of the development of energy-saving technologies or more generally, in many sectors, particularly in the case of labour-intensive manufacturing industries with a low energy consumption;
6. Takes the view that, in the present circumstances, it is for public authorities to take incentive measures and adopt guidelines with a view to directing markets towards the more efficient use of energy;
7. Stresses the need for action at Community level to promote convergence between the Member States, not only in respect of all energy policy actions, but also in the economic and social sectors in accordance with the principles embodied in the EEC Treaty;
8. Points out that Articles 100 and 235 of the EEC Treaty do not give the Community all the instruments it needs for effective action so long as a unanimous decision of the Council is required;
9. Is convinced that further appeals to producers' and consumers are not sufficient in themselves to bring about the necessary changes;
10. Regards, therefore, the Commission's proposal as inadequate and calls on it to strengthen it as quickly as possible by the presentation of new proposals;
11. Expects the Commission, in view of the real possibility of achieving longterm savings of 15 to 30 % in industry, 20 to 35 % in the transport sector and up to 50 % in homes and in the service sector, to draw up immediately — and before the end of 1980 at the latest — a set of practical proposals for energy saving to enable measurable and tangible results to be achieved even in the short term;
12. Expects the Commission to take account of the following principles:
  - (a) Community action must give a certain amount of guidance to the energy market;
  - (b) If the principles of the price policy proposed by the Commission are to be approved, their implementation must make allowance for their effect on low income groups, which might be alleviated, for example, by direct aid; this price policy must be backed up by a campaign to inform and educate consumers in all those areas where their behaviour shows a real lack of response to price changes;
  - (c) Energy savings must form part of a comprehensive policy for the diversification of energy sources and the development of new energy sources;
  - (d) Particular attention must be given to a reduction of consumption in the road transport sector by rationalizing administration and improving techniques;
  - (e) When developing alternatives to oil for the generation of electricity, maximum use must be made of combined heat and power for both domestic and industrial heating; here the use of waste heat, especially from large-scale sources, is gaining ground;
13. Calls for more statistics to be made available to allow monitoring of progress and more research programmes to be set up to improve awareness of the potential for energy saving, and for them to be constantly updated;
14. Calls on the Commission to provide the Council and Parliament in 1980 with a detailed report on the specific and significant experience acquired in the various Member States, especially at local level, in the field of energy saving, which could serve as examples in the near future;



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15. Urges the Commission to keep the Council and Parliament informed, at six-monthly intervals, of the current position in regard to energy saving;

16. Approves, subject to the above reservations, the Commission's communication on new lines of action by the European Community in the field of energy saving, together with the proposal for a Council resolution.

17. **Surveillance of shipping routes for Community supplies** (vote)

— *Motion for a resolution by Mrs Le Roux and others* (Doc. 1-115/80)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution by Mr d'Ormesson and others on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and by Mr de Courcy Ling and others on behalf of the European Democratic Group (Doc. 1-119/80).

Mr Cottrell requested, pursuant to Rule 33 (3), and with the support of 10 members, the President to ascertain whether a quorum was present.

The President announced that he had received a written request that it be established whether a quorum was present.

The President established that there was no quorum present.

Ten members stood up in support of this request.

Pursuant to Rule 33 (3), the vote on this motion for a resolution was placed on the agenda for the next sitting.

The President ascertained that there was no quorum present.

Mr Fergusson raised a point of order.

Pursuant to Rule 33 (3), the vote on this motion for a resolution was placed on the agenda for the next sitting.

— *Motion for a resolution by Mr Cottrell and others on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Calvez and others on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, and Mr Janssen van Raay and Mr Hoffmann on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group)* (Doc. 1-117/80)

Sir Fred Catherwood raised a point of order.

18. **Code of conduct for oil tankers** (vote)

The next item was the vote on two motions for resolutions.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

on the code of conduct for oil tankers and vessels transporting noxious substances

*The European Parliament,*

— concerned at the increase in wreckage of shipping at sea,

— appalled at the unnecessary loss of life at sea and by the environmental effects, particularly on beaches, of wreckage of ships carrying oil and noxious substances,

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- recognizing that many of the problems relating to safety at sea are not restricted to Community-registered ships or Community waters and require international action,
  - recognizing that many problems related to safety at sea result from human error and require improvements in the standards of competence of merchant shipping crew and the proper use of pilotage facilities,
1. Calls on the Member States to make a strong and united effort to press for an increase in the authority of the appropriate United Nations Agency, namely the Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO)
- (a) to ensure the establishment and enforcement of high minimum international standards in the construction and maintenance of ships,
  - (b) to establish and enforce high minimum standards for training and certification of ships' crew,
  - (c) to establish and enforce standard procedures for sea traffic control systems,
  - (d) to establish a law of salvage to ensure that salvage can take place without delay before a cargo becomes a pollutant,
  - (e) to review the level of civil liability insurance at sea,
  - (f) to introduce international call-signs to be painted in large conspicuous letters on ships so that a searchlight in the dense fog can establish a ship's identity;
2. Calls on the Commission to make proposals in line where appropriate with existing IMCO practice to improve standards of safety and conduct in Community waters. Such proposals should include recognition that any Community legislation may, if necessary and appropriate, be altered by action agreed at IMCO and by the results of the Law of the Sea Conference and should include:
- (a) establishment of stricter standards for ships,
  - (b) establishment and improvement of training facilities for merchant seamen,
  - (c) establishment, with the aid of the Maritime Authorities of Member States, of compulsory pilotage for oil tankers in transit through congested waters adjacent to or between the coasts of Member States,
  - (d) establishment of a computerized information system to make available an up-dated blacklist of vessels or owners with poor safety records,
  - (e) refusal to allow into Community ports ships flying the flag of countries that have not ratified the 1974 Safety of Life at Sea Convention and the 1978 protocol thereto, the 1978 protocol to the Marpol convention on marine pollution, and the International Labour Organization Convention No 147 concerning minimum standards of safety and general welfare on merchant ships,
  - (f) the establishment in Community waters — and in particular the Channel — an aid to the maritime authorities of Member States, a system of approved 'havens of refuge'

where ships which have become casualties at sea may be towed to avoid the risk of sinking, thereby discharging harmful or potentially harmful cargoes,

- (g) measures to determine, with the aid of the maritime authorities of the appropriate Channel coast, whether it would be possible to establish a 'Joint Maritime Safety Organization' to enforce safety conditions in the world's busiest shipping lane;

3. Calls on the Council and the Commission to ensure that both Community and international shipping legislation are fully respected by both current and future Member States;

4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission and to the Governments of the Member States.

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19. **Food aid for 1980** (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Michel report (Doc. 1-105/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for Regulations concerning food aid in 1980**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission to the Council (COM(80) 57 final),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 1-5/80),
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the opinions of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 1-105/80),

1. Welcomes the fact that, instead of waiting until the 1980 budget is adopted, the Commission has already submitted proposals for food — aid programmes based on the quantities entered in the 1979 budget and financed under the provisional twelfth arrangement;

2. Draws attention in particular to its opinion on the proposals for Regulations on food aid in 1979 <sup>(1)</sup> given the similarity between the present proposals and the 1979 programmes;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 127, 21. 5. 1979.

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3. Notes once again the serious imbalance between the quantities of food aid made available by the Community and the nutritional requirements of the developing countries;
4. Notes that the Commission will submit new proposals for the allocation and management of aid if provision is made for additional quantities of food aid in the 1980 budget;
5. Approves the fact that, for first time, the Commission has supplemented its proposals for Regulations with a report on the implementation of earlier food — aid programmes;
6. Notes that, in response to Parliament's request in its resolution of 16 March 1979 <sup>(1)</sup>, the Commission has entered the necessary appropriations for transporting food aid as a separate item in its preliminary draft budget for 1980, thus making it easier to identify these costs;
7. Calls on the Commission to increase its efforts to improve the internal management of food aid and to cope with the difficulties of forwarding it, so as to ensure that the aid provided actually reaches its destination; requests that the Commission departments concerned be given the additional staff needed to this end;
8. Considers that the Community should use as intermediaries only those bodies or agencies that submit to control by the Community;
9. Recalls that expenditure on food aid is non-compulsory expenditure and urges the Commission to come round to Parliament's legal point of view and recognize the non-compulsory nature of the expenditure;
10. Points out that, quite apart from the forthcoming consideration of the new draft budget for 1980, the European Parliament will have an opportunity to discuss all food aid problems in detail when it deals with the report on hunger in the world;
11. Reiterates the need for the Community to have a basic regulation for the management of food aid, and therefore asks the Council to adopt at long last the relevant proposals submitted by the Commission and amended by the European Parliament in its resolution of 16 March 1979;
12. Requests that the proposed Management Committee be granted purely consultative powers (as in the case of the European Social Fund);
13. Points out that, if the Council chooses to depart from this opinion, the conciliation procedure should be initiated.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 93, 9. 4. 1979.

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**20. Conservation of fishery resources (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Woltjer report (Doc. 1-102/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation laying down for 1980 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources, applicable to vessels flying the flag of Sweden

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-35/80),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 1-102/80),
  - whereas joint stock management and conservation measures with third countries are essential to safeguard the future of the Community's fishing industry,
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Points out, at the same time, that for some premium species, quota allocations granted to Sweden have been reduced in relation to quotas granted in 1979;
  3. Requests the Commission to clarify the impact of reduction of quotas allocated to Sweden upon the quotas to be allocated to Community vessels operative in Swedish waters;
  4. Notes that the Swedish Government has stated that unless a mutual inspection system is introduced before 1 July 1980, it will consider itself free to take the necessary measures;
  5. Requests that the Commission ensure that the ability of Community fishermen to catch quotas allocated in Swedish waters is in no way impeded;
  6. Points out that Sweden requires the financial contribution for salmon reproduction to be raised from 2 000 000 crowns to 2 920 000 in 1980, and that if this sum is not transferred by 1 June 1980 Sweden will take appropriate measures;
  7. Considers that Community salmon fishermen in the Baltic cannot be asked to bear the cost of any additional financial contribution, given the economic difficulties facing this sector;

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(1) OJ No C 67, 18. 3. 1980, p. 3.

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8. Requests that the Commission ensure that the absence of a budget for 1980 has no effect on the access of Community salmon fishermen to Swedish waters.

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21. **Assassination of Archbishop Romero** (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Glinne and Mr O'Connell on behalf of the Socialist Group and Mr Penders and others on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) (Doc. 1-74/80/rev.)

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**condemning the assassination of Archbishop Romero**

*The European Parliament,*

- appalled by the assassination of Archbishop Romero who was a champion of the people who sought justice and freedom through peaceful means, as well as by the murder of many other Salvadorian citizens,
  - alarmed at the prospect of imminent civil war following upon this assassination,
  - dismayed at the continuing violation of human rights in El Salvador,
1. Vigorously condemns the assassination of Archbishop Romero and expresses its sympathy with the people of El Salvador over their loss of this great defender of human rights and liberty;
  2. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to make known their horror at the recent outrage in San Salvador and to propose an investigation of the violation of human rights in El Salvador;
  3. Appeals to the present government in El Salvador to prevent a civil war by immediately implementing its promise of a return to democracy and to proceed with its policy of social reform;
  4. Appeals to all groups involved to put an end to the fighting with arms and look towards the re-establishment of democracy;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the government of El Salvador and to the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the Community.
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**22. Asylum for Cuban citizens (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Diligent and others on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group) and by Mr Baudis on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group (Doc. 1-84/80)

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION****on the granting of asylum to Cuban citizens**

*The European Parliament*

— having noted the desire of tens of thousands of Cuban citizens to leave their country,

— pointing out that the democratic countries of Europe should offer political asylum;

1. Appeals to the governments of the Member States of the Community to take urgent measures to receive Cuban exiles;

2. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to make representations to third countries to facilitate the reception of refugees;

3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation and to the Parliaments and Governments of the Member States.

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**23. Situation of political prisoners in Guinea (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mrs Pruvot and others (Doc. 1-86/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION****on the situation of the political prisoners in the People's Republic of Guinea**

*The European Parliament,*

— deeply concerned at the situation of political prisoners in the People's Republic of Guinea as described in a large number of documents and reports drawn up at international level:

— according to Amnesty International the most serious infringements of human rights are as follows:

(a) frequent imprisonment for long periods under conditions of secrecy and without judicial process of presumed opponents of the Guinean Government;

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- (b) inadequacy of the judicial procedures and judgment of political prisoners by summary process often in camera;
  - (c) detention of political prisoners under inhuman conditions with deprivation of food;
  - (d) torture of political detainees to exact confessions and more generally to intimidate opponents of the regime;
  - (e) imposition of death penalties;
- having regard to the long list of political prisoners submitted by the International League of the Rights of Man to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 8 June 1976;
  - noting the refusal of the Guinean Government to supply information on the fate of persons imprisoned because of the views held by them;
  - noting that a number of these prisoners are married to persons originating in the Community who have no knowledge of the fate of their spouses;
  - fearing that many of these persons have already died in detention;
  - having nonetheless noted the release in 1979 of a number of political prisoners, including the Archbishop of Conakry, Monseigneur Tchidimbo, who holds dual nationality;
  - having regard to the declarations on the rights of man made jointly by the Presidents-in-Office of the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers at the signing of the Second Convention of Lomé on 31 October 1979;
1. Calls upon the Guinean Government to respect its promise to release all political detainees;
  2. Calls, more particularly, on the Council of Ministers of the EEC to take all possible action to expedite the release of prisoners who are married to Community nationals;
  3. Urges the Guinean Government to supply without delay information on the fate of these prisoners and death certificates for those who have been executed to enable their widows and orphans to lay claim to their social security entitlements;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

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**24. Regions of Brittany hard-hit by oil pollution (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Josselin and others, on behalf of the Socialist Group (Doc. 1-87/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:



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on financial aid from the Community to the regions of Brittany hard-hit by oil pollution

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the resolution adopted unanimously on 14 March 1980 following the shipwreck of the tanker Tanio off the coast of Brittany <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having regard to the scale of the damage suffered by the regions hit by the oil slick,
1. Proposes, as an expression of solidarity, that the Commission should make available to the affected regions and population an amount of 500 000 EUA from Chapter 59 of the budget;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ no C 85, 8. 4. 1980, p. 95.

25. EEC-United States relations in the field of steel (debate)

Mr Donnez introduced the motion for a resolution which he had tabled, together with Mr Bangemann, Mrs Pruvot, Mr Haagerup, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Calvez, Mr Rey, Mr Rossi, Mr Berkhouwer, Mr Irmer, Mrs Von Alemann, Mr Combe, Mr Cecovini, Mr Sable, Mr Caillavet, Mr Poniatowski, Mr Baudis, Mrs Martin, Mrs Nielsen, Mr Delatte and Mr Galland, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, on EEC-United States relations in the field of steel (Doc. 1-92/80); he pointed out an error in the fourth indent of the preamble, which should read two million tonnes instead of one million tonnes.

IN THE CHAIR: MR MØLLER

*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Mr Oehler, on behalf of the Socialist Group, who requested, with the agreement of Mr Donnez, that the word 'committee' be replaced by the word 'committees' in amendment No 2, Sir David Nicolson, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Martin, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Deleau, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive

Democrats, Mr Welsh and Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission.*

The President announced that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendments that had been tabled to it, at the end of the sitting (*see item 38 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

26. Events in Tunisia

The next item was the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Jaquet and others on events in Tunisia (Doc. 1-100/80).

Mr Sarre withdrew the motion for a resolution.

27. Parliament's electronic voting system (debate)

Mr Boyes introduced the motion for a resolution which he had tabled, together with Mr Adam, Mr Albers, Mrs Bonino, Mrs Buchan, Mr Caborn, Mr Capanna, Ms Clwyd, Mr Cohen, Mr Collins, Mr Delors, Mr Estier,

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Mrs Ewing, Mr Hume, Mr Lomas, Mr Megahy, Mr Van Minnen, Mr Paisley, Miss Quin, Mr Seal, Mr J. D. Taylor and Mr von der Vring on Parliament's electronic voting system (Doc. 1-109/80).

The following spoke: Mr Seal and Mr Herman, the latter on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group).

The President announced that the vote on the motion for a resolution would be held at the end of the sitting. (*See item 39 of these minutes.*)

He declared the debate closed.

## 28. Agenda

Sir Fred Catherwood underlined the urgency of considering the interim report by Mr Seal on EEC-India commercial cooperation (Doc. 1-45/80).

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to take this interim report after the report by Mr Seligman (Doc. 1-813/79).

## 29. Research and development programme for the EAEC on plutonium (debate)

The next item was the report by Mr Seligman, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Energy and Research, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 12/79) for a Decision adopting a research and development programme for the European Atomic Energy Community on the plutonium cycle and its safety (1980—1984) (Doc. 1-813/79).

Mr Linkohr requested that this report be referred back to committee.

Mr Seligman and Mr Coppieters spoke.

Parliament rejected this request.

Mr Seligman introduced his report.

The following spoke: Mr Linkohr, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Sassano, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Purvis, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Coppieters, Group for the Technical Coordination and Defence of Independent Groups and Members, Mr Veronesi, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Muntingh, Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*, and the rapporteur.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution, together with the amendments that had been tabled to it, would be put to the vote at the end of the sitting. (*See item 40 of these minutes.*)

He declared the debate closed.

## 30. EEC/India cooperation agreement

The next item was the interim report by Mr Seal, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations, on a Commercial and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the EEC and India (Doc. 1-45/80).

On a proposal from the President, Parliament decided to consider this report without debate and vote on it immediately.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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on a Commercial and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the EEC and India

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the special position of India as the second most populous country in the world, with a population equal to that of Africa and South America combined, as a leading member of the Third World and as the world's largest democracy,

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- recognising that although India has some advanced technology and modern industry it is nevertheless one of the world's very poor countries, 15th from the bottom with a *per capita* annual income of only \$ 150, with 40 % of its population living below the poverty line and with two-thirds of the world's hungry living on the Indian sub-continent,
  - affirming its belief that because of its extreme poverty India must be classified with the least developed countries of the world and should therefore be regarded as an appropriate recipient of large scale development aid,
  - considering that the only agreement to date between India and the Community has been one for 'Commercial Cooperation', which has now completed its five-year term and its first year of renewal,
  - noting that the Community already gives India substantial food aid as well as financial and technical aid,
  - having regard to the interim report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 1-45/80),
1. Calls for the negotiation of a 'Commercial and Economic Cooperation' Agreement with India in order to place the present arrangement within a wider framework. This could be the first stage towards an overall Cooperation and Aid Agreement;
  2. Recognizes the political and economic importance of such an agreement with India;
  3. Calls for an institutional framework to be established incorporating and strengthening the present Inter-Parliamentary relations and the Joint Committee;
  4. Calls for steps to be taken to establish a Commission office in New Delhi;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission.

### 31. Agenda

Mr von Wogau requested that his report on international travel (Doc. 1-43/80) be examined without debate during that sitting.

Parliament agreed to this request.

### 32. 'World Conservation Strategy' (WCS)

Mr Muntingh moved the oral question with debate which he had put, on behalf of the Socialist Group, to

the Commission on the 'World Conservation Strategy' (WCS) (Doc. 1-31/80).

The following spoke: Mr Johnson, on behalf of the European Democratic Group, and Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*.

The President announced that he had received a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Muntingh, on behalf of the Socialist Group, Mr Alber, Mr Ghergo and Mrs Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Mr Sherlock, on behalf of

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the European Democratic Group, Mr Ceravolo, on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group, Mr Berkhouwer, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, Mr de la Malène, on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats, with request for an early vote pursuant to Rule 47 (5), to wind up the debate on oral question (Doc. 1-31/80) on the World Conservation Strategy (WCS) (Doc. 1-112/80).

He announced that, pursuant to Rule 47 (5), the decision on this request for an early vote would be taken at the beginning of the next sitting.

He declared the debate closed.

### 33. Public supply contracts (debate)

The next item was the report drawn up by Mr Nyborg, on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-572/79) for a Directive amending Directive 77/62/EEC coordinating procedures for the award of public supply contracts (Doc. 1-814/79).

The President informed the House that the rapporteur had asked for his report to be postponed until the next part-session.

Miss Forster spoke.

Parliament rejected the rapporteur's request.

The following spoke: Mr von Wogau on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD Group), Miss Forster on behalf of the European Democratic Group, Mr Baillot, Communist and Allies Group, Mr Turner and Mr Davignon, *Member of the Commission*.

The President stated that the motion for a resolution would be put to the vote, together with the amendment tabled to it, at the end of the sitting (*see item 41 of these minutes*).

He declared the debate closed.

### 34. Agenda

The President announced that, in view of the decisions taken with regard to the duration of sittings, the remaining items on that day's agenda would be postponed until the next part-session, and that voting time would be held next.

Mr Luster spoke.

### 35. Quantitative analysis of binary textile fibre mixtures (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the report by Mr von Wogau (Doc. 1-818/79).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending Directive 72/276/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to certain methods for the quantitative analysis of binary textile fibre mixtures

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-533/79),
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and to the opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (Doc. 1-818/79),

Approves the Commission's proposal.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 283, 12. 11. 1979, p. 4.

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**36. Health problems in connection with the importation of animals (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the report by Mr Luster (Doc. 1-811/79).

Parliament adopted the following resolution :

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**embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from non-member countries**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM (79) 691/fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-629/79),
  - recalling its resolution of 27 April 1979 <sup>(1)</sup> which recommended that the Commission should completely redraft Regulations in the case of amendment and its resolution of 18 January 1980 on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products <sup>(2)</sup>,
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-811/79).
1. Welcomes the republication of the basic Regulation as a whole in its amended form, which will make it more easily accessible and comprehensible to all those must comply with its provisions;
  2. Calls on the Commission to republish the whole text of a Regulation each time it is amended;
  3. Stresses that the republished text should always be accompanied by a list of all the texts which are incorporated in it;
  4. Requests the Commission to adopt the following amendments pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 127, 21. 5. 1979, p. 83 following Luster report (Doc. 673/78) on Petition No 4/78 by Mr Antonio Grassani on simpler Community Regulations, to be completely redrafted in case of amendment).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 34, 11. 2. 1980, p. 117.

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TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (\*)

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

**Council Directive on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from non-member countries**

Preamble unchanged

Whereas, since its adoption, Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries <sup>(1)</sup>, *as last amended by Directive 77/98/EEC* <sup>(2)</sup>, has undergone certain amendments; whereas it appears desirable therefore to consolidate these amendments within a single text in order that they may be more readily accessible and easier to apply in practice, particularly in relations with non-member countries;

Whereas, since its adoption, Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries <sup>(1)</sup> has undergone certain amendments <sup>(2)</sup>; whereas it appears desirable therefore to consolidate these amendments within a single text in order that they may be more readily accessible and easier to apply in practice, particularly in relations with non-member countries;

Rest of recitals unchanged

Articles 1 to 33 unchanged

*Article 34*

1. Directive 72/462/EEC is hereby repealed.

*Article 34*

1. Directive 72/462/EEC, as amended by Directives 73/358/EEC, 74/387/EEC, 75/379/EEC and 77/98/EEC, is hereby repealed.

Paragraph 2 unchanged

Article 35 unchanged

Annexes unchanged

(\*) For complete text, see COM (79) 691 final.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.<sup>(2)</sup> Council Directive 77/98/EEC — OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 81.<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.<sup>(2)</sup> Council Directive 73/358/EEC — OJ No L 326, 27. 11. 1973, p. 17; Council Directive 74/387/EEC — OJ No L 202, 27. 7. 1974, p. 36; Council Directive 75/379/EEC — OJ No L 172, 3. 7. 1975, p. 17; Council Directive 77/98/EEC — OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 81.

37. Excise duty applicable in international travel (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the report by Mr von Wogau (Doc. 1-43/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution.

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embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Fifth Directive on the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action relating to the rules governing turnover tax and excise duty applicable in international travel

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council EEC Treaty (COM (79) 694 final),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 99 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-607/79),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 1-43/80),

1. Notes once again that the present varying rates of turnover tax and excise duties in the Member States constitute a serious barrier to the achievement of the common internal market;
2. Regrets that it has still not been possible to increase tax-free allowances in real terms above the levels set in 1972;
3. Considers in this connection the increases proposed by the Commission as inadequate but approves their introduction in time for the summer travel season while hoping that further increases to take effect on 1 January 1981 and 1 January 1982 will also be decided ;
4. Draws attention to the urgent need to abolish the special derogations for Denmark and Ireland, as failure to do so might mean that uniform rules in all the Member States of the Community would never be achieved;
5. Considers the quantitative limits on coffee and tea to be unnecessary; proposes therefore the phasing out of these limits for travellers between the Member States, and eventually also for travellers arriving from third countries;
6. Calls on the Commission to take every opportunity of easing and in time abolishing the quantitative restrictions on tobacco, wine and spirits for private travellers between Member States;
7. Calls on the Commission to open negotiations with countries bordering on the Community, especially Austria and Switzerland, with a view to achieving corresponding concessions on a reciprocal basis in travel between the Community and these countries;
8. Requests the Commission to report it on the problems connected with tax-free shops and on the desirability of abolishing them in respect of travel between Member States;
9. Requests the Commission to adopt the following amendments pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty;
10. Calls on the authorities and legislative assemblies of the Member States to help in this way to make the public more aware of their membership of a Community;
11. Instructs its President to forward this resolution report of its Committee to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States.

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TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

**Fifth Council Directive on the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action relating to the rules governing turnover tax and excise duty applicable in international travel**

Preamble and recitals unchanged

Articles 1 to 3 unchanged

*Article 4 (new)*

1. Article 4 of Directive 69/169/EEC is amended as follows:

— the quantitative limit fixed in paragraph 1 (b) for still wine in travel between Member States shall be amended as follows:  
'a total of four litres' shall read  
'a total of five litres';

— the quantitative limits fixed in point 1 (d) and (e) for coffee and tea carried by persons travelling between the Member States shall be amended as follows:  
'750 grammes' to read '1 000 grammes'  
'300 grammes' to read '400 grammes'  
'150 grammes' to read '200 grammes'  
'60 grammes' to read '80 grammes'.

2. Article 5 of the Third Council Directive 87/1032/EEC of 19 December 1978 to be amended as follows:

The quantitative limit fixed in Article 5<sup>(3)</sup>, for the Kingdom of Denmark shall be increased from three litres to four litres'.

*Article 4*

1. Member States shall bring into force the measures necessary to comply with this Directive with effect from 1 January 1980.

2. Member States shall inform the Commission of the provisions which they adopt to implement this Directive.

*Article 5*

1. Member States shall bring into force the measures necessary to comply with this Directive with effect from 1 July 1980.

2. unchanged.



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*Article 6 (new)*

1. The amounts laid down in Article 1 to apply from 1 July 1980 shall be increased by 20 % with effect from 1 January 1981 and by a further 20 % with effect from 1 January 1982.

2. The amounts laid down in Article 2 to apply from 1 July 1980 shall be increased by 25 % with effect from 1 January 1981 and, in the case of Ireland, by a further 25 % on 1 January 1982.

*Article 7 (new)*

The quantitative provisions concerning coffee and tea laid down in Article 4 above shall be completely abolished with effect from 1 January 1982.

*Article 5*

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

*Article 8*

unchanged

38. **EEC-United States relations in the field of steel**  
(vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution by Mr Donnez and others, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group (Doc. 1-92/80).

Parliament adopted the preamble.

On paragraph 1, Mr Donnez had, on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group, tabled amendment No 1 seeking to replace this paragraph with a new text.

Amendment No 1 was adopted.

Parliament adopted paragraph 2.

After paragraph 2, two amendments had been tabled:

— No 2 by Mr Donnez on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group

— No 3 by Mr Deleau on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats

both seeking to insert a new paragraph.

Mr Donnez spoke.

Amendment No 3 was rejected.

Amendment No 2 was adopted.

Parliament adopted paragraph 3.

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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on EEC-United States relations in the field of steel

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling the consensus which emerged in the OECD in 1977 whereby the main industrialized countries recognized the efforts to improve the position of the iron and steel industry and the sacrifices involved should be shared fairly by the international community as a whole and that any measures to assist restructuring should not be threatened by any action likely to jeopardize the traditional patterns of trade in steel,
  - noting with the greatest anxiety that the anti-dumping proceedings brought against the steel producers of seven European countries and the consequent suspension of the system of trigger prices seriously call into question this consensus,
  - stressing the fact that the suspension of the trigger prices will not help European sales but may on the contrary encourage certain third countries with a less responsible attitude to increase further their share of the American market,
  - pointing out that this measure comes at a time when European exports of steel to the United States in 1979 fell by almost 2 million tonnes,
  - aware of the implications for the jobs of tens of thousands of European steel workers of any threat to the existing arrangements for American imports of European steel products,
1. Notes that the Commission has protested, on behalf of the Community, at this failure to observe the consensus reached in 1977 in the OECD in the interests of all the steel-producing countries;
  2. Requests the Commission to make every effort to ensure that this consensus is respected and that a solution is found as soon as possible through negotiations with the American administration;
  3. Instructs its committees responsible to draw up an exhaustive report on this subject before July 1980;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

### 39. Parliament's electronic voting system (vote)

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution by Mr Boyes and others (Doc. 1-109/80).

Parliament adopted the following resolution:

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## RESOLUTION

## on Parliament's electronic voting system

*The European Parliament,*

- agreeing that there are advantages to be gained by Parliament from using an electronic voting system,
- welcoming the installation of a system which gives instant feedback of the result of a vote and also a comprehensive list indicating the way members voted,
- noting, however, the number of times the system has failed to function satisfactorily, either breaking down partially or completely, or incorrectly recording some members' votes,

Calls for an investigation into the reasons why the system is not working correctly and for a report to be submitted by the next part-session of Parliament.

**40. Research and Development Programme for the EAEC on plutonium (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Seligman report (Doc. 1-813/79).

Mrs van den Heuvel requested, together with more than ten other Members, that the President ascertain whether a quorum was present pursuant to Rule 33 (3).

The President established that a quorum was not present.

Pursuant to Rule 33 (3), the vote on this motion for a resolution was placed on the agenda of the next sitting.

Mr Scott-Hopkins spoke on a question of procedure.

**42. Public supply contracts (vote)**

The next item was the vote on the motion for a resolution contained in the Nyborg report (Doc. 1-814/79).

On the proposal for a directive, Mr Turner had tabled on behalf of the Legal Affairs Committee, amendment No 1 seeking to amend Article 25 b.

Amendment No 1 was adopted.

Parliament adopted the following resolution.

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embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive amending Directive 77/62/EEC coordinating procedures for the award of public supply contracts

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (1),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-572/79),
- having regard to the Agreement on Government Procurement which has been concluded as part of the multilateral GATT negotiations,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the opinions of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 1-814/79),

1. Draws attention to the fact that, in addition to harming industrial development, the inadequate degree to which the market for public supply contracts has been opened up presents a serious obstacle to the creation of the necessary equality in the conditions of competition and to economic integration;
2. Believes that the drawing up of an international code of rights and obligations relating to the procedures for the award of public contracts may make a useful contribution to the liberalization and expansion of world trade;
3. Regrets, however, that the scope of the Agreement on Government Procurement negotiated within GATT is more restrictive than Council Directive 77/62/EEC; feels it is particularly regrettable that, for example, the separate states of the USA and the provinces of Canada are not bound by this Agreement, since this may jeopardize reciprocity;
4. Notes with satisfaction, particularly in the light of the above, that the Agreement does not at present cover the three sectors (public transport, energy and telecommunications) that are specifically exempted from the provisions of the Council Directive;
5. Notes also with satisfaction that the procedure laid down in the Agreement bears a fairly close resemblance to that contained in the Council Directive and that, where there are differences, these are to the advantage of suppliers;
6. Concludes, therefore, that the Agreement does not jeopardize what has been achieved at Community level;
7. Emphasizes, however, that GATT does not have much experience in this field and that a great deal depends on how these rules are implemented and administered; asks the Commission to monitor application of the Agreement closely in order to ascertain whether a reasonable degree of reciprocity is attained;
8. Points out that this Agreement does not in itself necessitate changes in existing Community legislation; feels, on the other hand, that it is impractical for there to exist side by side in this field two sets of arrangements (which are not necessarily mutually

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(1) OJ No C 287, 17. 11. 1979, p. 9.

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compatible), and approves, therefore, the Commission's desire to seek to amend the Council Directive;

9. Believes that the proposed changes increase transparency and openness in the matter of public supply contracts and ensure better information for suppliers; this should benefit as many suppliers as possible and the Community's provisions should, therefore, make as little use as possible of the distinction between the two types of contracting authorities, which the Agreement has rendered expedient;

10. Points out that, in particular, the provisions of the new Articles 25a and 25b grant tenderers additional guarantees, which are significant in determining whether the procedure for the award of contracts has been completed correctly; furthermore, requests, in this connection, that — in order to avoid inequality in the safeguards provided for the various categories of tenderer — these guarantees should be extended to all suppliers so as to include all public supply contracts;

11. Emphasizes, moreover, that it has, in practice, transpired that not all the Member States have been complying with the requirements imposed on them as from 1 July 1978 by the Council Directive on public supply contracts; urges the Commission, therefore, to ensure observance of these provisions;

12. Calls also on the Commission to ensure as soon as possible that the scope of the Directive is extended to include public transport, the production and distribution of energy and telecommunications;

13. Requests the Commission to adopt the following amendments pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty.

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES <sup>(1)</sup>

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

**Council Directive amending Directive 77/62/EEC coordinating procedures for the award of public supply contracts**

Preamble and recitals unchanged

*Article 1*

*Article 1*

Paragraph 1 unchanged

2. Article 5 (1) (a) shall be replaced by the following:

2. Article 5 (1) (a) shall be replaced by the following:

'The provisions of Titles II, III and IV and of Article 6 shall apply, under the conditions laid down in Article 4, to public supply contracts:

'The provisions of Titles II, III and IV and of Article 6 shall apply, under the conditions laid down in Article 4, to public supply contracts, whose value is not less than 150 000 SDR, as defined and interpreted in Article 1, paragraph 1 (b) of the Agreement on Government

— whose value is not less than *the threshold applied under Article 1, paragraph 1 (b) of the Agreement*

<sup>(1)</sup> For complete text, see OJ No C 287, 17. 11. 1979, p. 9.

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TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION OF  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

TEXT AMENDED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

on Government Procurement concluded within the context of the multilateral trade negotiations, *with regard to the contracting authorities referred to in the first indent of Article 1 (b)*,

- *whose estimated value net of VAT is not less than 200 000 European units of account, with regard to the contracting authorities referred to in the second indent of Article 1 (b)*.

Procurement concluded within the context of the GATT multilateral trade negotiations'.

- deleted

Paragraphs 3 to 6 unchanged

7. Article 11 shall be supplemented by the following paragraph 1 (a):

'The contract documents and supporting documents shall be sent to candidates who request them by the contracting authorities referred to in *the first indent of Article 1 (b)* or by the competent departments within four working days of receiving such request'.

7. Article 11 shall be supplemented by the following paragraph 1 (a):

'The contract documents and supporting documents shall be sent to candidates who request them by the contracting authorities referred to in Article 1 (b) or by the competent departments within four working days of receiving such request'.

Paragraph 8 unchanged

9. *Article 19 (1) shall be supplemented by the following new subparagraph:*

'The contracting authorities referred to in *the first indent of Article 1 (b)* shall authorize any other candidate who so requests to submit a tender on condition that the procedure referred to in Article 17 for checking suitability can be completed within the prescribed time. The number of such suppliers shall be limited only by the need to ensure the effective operation of the procedure for awarding contracts.'

9. **Article 19 (1) shall be supplemented by the following new subparagraph:**

'The contracting authorities referred to in Article 1 (b) shall authorize any other candidate who so requests to submit a tender on condition that the procedure referred to in Article 17 for checking suitability can be completed within the prescribed time. The number of such suppliers shall be limited only by the need to ensure the effective operation of the procedure for awarding contracts.'

10. A new Chapter 3 entitled 'Provision of information and examination of complaints' shall be introduced into Title IV consisting of the following two Articles:

*'Article 25a*

The contracting authorities referred to in *the first indent of Article 1 (b)* shall:

10. A new Chapter 3 entitled 'Provision of information and examination of complaints' shall be introduced into Title IV consisting of the following two Articles:

*'Article 25a*

The contracting authorities referred to in Article 1 (b) shall:

Indents unchanged

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*Article 25a*

*With regard to the contracting authorities referred to in the first indent of Article 1 (b):*

- *The Member State of an unsuccessful tenderer may, without prejudice to the Council Decision of 26 July 1971 setting up an Advisory Committee for Public Contracts, as amended by Council Decision 77/63/EEC of 21 December 1976, request any further information concerning the award of the contract which may be necessary to enable it to ascertain whether the contract has been awarded justly and fairly. The Member State of the contracting authority in question shall, to this end, furnish information on both the comparative characteristics and advantages of the successful tender and the contract price. This latter information may be disclosed by the Member State of the unsuccessful tenderer provided such right is exercised with discretion. Where such disclosures would prejudice competition on the occasion of subsequent invitations to tender, such information shall be disclosed only following consultation and with the consent of the Member State by which it was notified;*

*Article 25b*

**In the case of contracts awarded by contracting authorities within the EEC, the Commission shall at the request of an unsuccessful tenderer from a Member State, and without prejudice to the Council Decision of 26 July 1971 setting up an Advisory Committee for Public Contracts, as amended by Council Decision 77/63/EEC of 21 December 1976, request any further information concerning the award of the contract which may be necessary to enable it to ascertain whether the contract has been awarded justly and fairly. The Member State of the contracting authority in question shall, to this end, furnish information on both the comparative characteristics and advantages of the successful tender and the contract price. This latter information may be disclosed by the Commission provided such right is exercised with discretion. Where such disclosures would prejudice competition on the occasion of subsequent invitations to tender, such information shall be disclosed only following consultation and with the consent of the Member State by which it was notified.**

Second and third indents unchanged

Articles 2 to 5 unchanged

#### 42. Composition of committees

At the request of the European Democratic Group, Parliament ratified the appointment of Sir Peter Vanneck as member of the Committee on Energy and Research.

#### 43. Dates for next part-session

On a proposal from the enlarged Bureau, Parliament decided to hold its next sittings from 19 to 23 May 1980 in Strasbourg.

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44. **Approval of minutes**

Pursuant to Rule 17 (2), Parliament approved the minutes of the day's proceedings.

45. **Adjournment of the session**

The President declared the session of the European Parliament adjourned.

*(The sitting was closed at 1.40 p.m.)*

H.-J. OPITZ  
*Secretary-General*

Poul MØLLER  
*Vice-President*

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