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*	Consultation procedure
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***	Assent procedure
***I	Codecision procedure: first reading
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(The type of procedure is determined by the legal basis proposed by the Commission.)

Information relating to voting time

- unless stated otherwise, the rapporteurs informed the Chair in writing, before the vote, of their position on the amendments;
- results of roll-call votes are appended to each day's Minutes.

Abbreviations used for Parliamentary Committees

FASE	Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy
AGRI	Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
BUDG	Committee on Budgets
ECON	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy
RTDE	Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy
RELA	Committee on External Economic Relations
LEGA	Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights
SOCI	Committee on Social Affairs and Employment
REGI	Committee on Regional Policy
TRAN	Committee on Transport and Tourism
ENVI	Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection
CULT	Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media
DEVE	Committee on Development and Cooperation
CIVI	Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs
CONT	Committee on Budgetary Control
INST	Committee on Institutional Affairs
FISH	Committee on Fisheries
RULE	Committee on the Rules of Procedure, the Verification of Credentials and Immunities
WOME	Committee on Women's Rights
PETI	Committee on Petitions

Abbreviations used for political groups

PSE	Group of the Party of the European Socialists
PPE	Group of the European People's Party (Christian-Democratic Group)
UPE	Union for Europe Group
ELDR	Group of the European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party
GUE / NGL	Confederal Group of the European United Left / Nordic Green Left
V	Green Group in the European Parliament
ARE	Group of the European Radical Alliance
EDN	Europe of Nations Group (Coordination Group)
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF MONDAY, 20 MAY 1996

(96/C 166/01)

Proceedings of the sitting

IN THE CHAIR: Mr HÄNSCH
President

(The sitting opened at 5 p.m.)

which a Spanish soldier had been killed. He asked for condolences to be sent to the victim's family.

The President also condemned the attack on behalf of the House and undertook to send a message of condolences.

1. Resumption of session

The session, adjourned on 9 May was resumed.

2. Approval of Minutes

Mr Berthu had written to point out that, in the vote on the Oostlander report on the European Year against Racism on 9 May (A4-0135/96, Minutes of that Sitting, Part I, Item 13) he had intended to vote against the motion for a resolution and abstain in the vote on the draft legislative resolution. Mr Posselt had pointed out that he had intended to vote against, not for, am. 39 in the same report, and Mr Van der Waal that he had intended to vote against, not for, amendments 21 and 27 in the Simpson report on postal services (A4-0105/96, Minutes of 9.5.1995, Part I, Item 7).

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

On behalf of his Group, Mr Maset Campos condemned the terrorist attack carried out that morning in Cordoba by ETA, in

3. Request for waiver of Mr Vandemeulebroucke's immunity

The President informed Parliament that the Committee on the Rules of Procedure, the Verification of Credentials and Immunities, to which he had forwarded a letter of 14 March 1996 from the Belgian authorities stating that they had dropped their request for waiver of Mr Jaak Vandemeulebroucke's parliamentary immunity, had considered the matter at its meeting of 22-23 April 1996 and concluded that, on this occasion, this statement closed the procedure which had been opened in Parliament.

4. Membership of Parliament

The President announced that the Spanish authorities had informed him that Mr José Javier Pomés Ruiz had been appointed Member of Parliament, to replace Mr Matutes Juan, with effect from 10 May 1996.

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He welcomed the new Member and drew attention to the provisions of Rule 7(4).

5. Membership of delegations

At the request of the PSE Group, Parliament ratified the appointment of Mr Elchlepp as member of the Delegation for Relations with Japan.

6. Authorization to draw up reports

The Foreign Affairs Committee had been authorized to draw up a report on progress in implementing the common foreign and security policy.

7. Referral to committees

The following committees had been asked for opinions:

- WOME, on petition 176/95 by Mrs Erika Stosh on retroactive pension rights for part-time employees (responsible: PETI);
- AGRI:
 - on the Court of Auditors' special report 3/95 on the implementation of intervention measures under the common organization of the markets in sheepmeat and goatmeat, C4-0592/95 (responsible: CONT)
 - on the Court of Auditors' special report 4/95 on the administration of EAGGF-Guidance expenditure in Portugal between 1988 and 1993, C4-0536/95 (responsible: CONT)

8. Documents received

The President announced that he had received the following texts:

(a) Council:

(aa) requests for opinions on:

- Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the conclusion on behalf of the European Community, as regards matters within its competence, of the results of the WTO negotiations on financial services and on movement of natural persons (COM(96)0154 – C4-0272/96 – 96/0105(CNS))

referred to
responsible: RELA
opinion: ECON

legal basis: Art. 54 EC, Art. 57 EC, Art. 63 EC, Art. 66 EC, Art. 73c(2) EC, Art. 100a EC, Art. 113 EC, Art. 228(2)EC, Art. 228(3), first subparagraph EC

- Proposal for Council and Commission Decision (EC/ECSC) concerning the conclusion of the Agreement amending the fourth ACP-EC Convention (COM(95)0707 – C4-0278/96 – 96/0023(AVC))

referred to
responsible: DEVE
opinion: RELA, TRAN, FISH, other committees concerned

(ab) opinions on proposals for transfers of appropriations:

- Opinion of the Council on transfer of appropriations No 07/96 between Chapters in Section III – Commission – Part B – of the General Budget for the European Communities for the financial year 1996 (C4-0261/96)

referred to
responsible: BUDG
opinion: CONT

- Opinion of the Council on transfer of appropriations No 08/96 between chapters in Section IV – Court of Justice – of the General Budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1996 (C4-0262/96)

referred to
responsible: BUDG

(b) Commission:

(ba) proposals and/or communications:

- Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Article 12 of Directive 77/780/EEC on the coordination of laws, Regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of credit institutions, Articles 2,6,7 8 and Annexes II and III of Directive 89/647/EEC on a solvency ratio for credit institutions and Article 2 and Annex II of Directive 93/6/EEC on the capital adequacy of investment firms and credit institutions (COM(96)0183 – C4-0258/96 – 96/0121(COD))

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: ECON

legal basis: Art. 057(2) EC

- Commission Decision of 10.4.1996 on the clearance of the accounts presented by the Member States in respect of the expenditure for 1992 of the Guarantee Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund and in respect of certain expenditure for 1993 (C(96)0417 – C4-0259/96)

referred to
responsible: CONT

- Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on linking relief, rehabilitation and development (LRRD) (COM(96)0153 – C4-0265/96)

referred to
responsible: DEVE
opinion: FASE, RELA

- Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament and the Economic and Social Committee on an industrial competitiveness policy for the European Chemical Industry: an example (COM(96)0187 – C4-0273/96)

referred to
responsible: ECON
opinion: RTDE, SOCI

languages available: EN, FR

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— Amended proposal concerning a European Parliament and Council Decision on the maintenance of national laws prohibiting the use of certain additives in the production of certain foodstuffs (COM(96)0050 — C4-0275/96 — 95/0085(COD))

referred to
responsible: ENVI
opinion: ECON

legal basis: Art. 100a EC

— Amended proposal concerning a European Parliament and Council Directive on investor-compensation schemes (COM(96)0169 — C4-0279/96 — 00/0471(COD))

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: ECON

legal basis: Art. 057(2) EC

(bb) proposals for transfers of appropriations:

— Proposal for the transfer of appropriations No 12/96 between Chapters in Section III — Commission — Part A — of the General Budget for the European Communities for the financial year 1996 (SEC(96)0837 — C4-0263/96)

referred to
responsible: BUDG

(bc) other texts:

— Agreement for cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy between the European Atomic Energy Community and the United States of America (C4-0264/96)

referred to
responsible: RTDE
opinion: committees concerned

— Report on the evaluation of the Community Action Plan to assist tourism 1993-1995 — Council Decision 92/421/EEC (COM(96)0166 — C4-0266/96)

referred to
responsible: TRAN
opinion: ECON, ENVI, CULT

languages available: EN, FR

— Report to the Council: 'Prospects for developing regional cooperation in the countries emerging from the former Yugoslavia and Community resources for favouring such cooperation' (SEC(96)0252 — C4-0274/96)

referred to
responsible: FASE
opinion: BUDG, RELA, DEVE

language available: FR

(c) European Ombudsman

— Annual Report 1995 (C4-0257/96)

referred to
responsible: PETI

(d) committees:

(da) reports:

— * Report on the draft Council Act drawing up the Protocol to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and on the draft Protocol, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, to the Convention on the Protection of the European Communities' financial interests (12549/95 — C4-0607/95 — 96/0902(CNS)) — Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs

Rapporteur: Mr Bontempi
(A4-0130/96)

— Report on the problems of the fisheries sector in the NAFO zone — Committee on Fisheries

Rapporteur: Mr Arias Cañete
(A4-0133/96)

— Report on the third annual report of the European Observatory for SMEs (1995) and on the Commission Communication on 'the European Observatory for SMEs — comments by the Commission on the Third Annual Report (1995)' (COM(95)0526 — C4-0202/95) — Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy

Rapporteur: Mr Mezzaroma
(A4-0139/96)

— Report on the second report from the Commission relative to the implementation of the Decision regarding the provision of Community interest subsidies on loans for small and medium-sized enterprises extended by the European Investment Bank under its temporary lending facility (the SME Facility (COM(95)0485 — C4-0594/95) — Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy

Rapporteur: Mrs Ewing
(A4-0147/96)

— * Report on the proposal for a Council Regulation opening and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for certain fishery products originating in Ceuta (COM(95)0687 — C4-0134/96 — 95/0351(CNS)) — Committee on External Economic Relations

Rapporteur: Mr Valdivielso de Cué
(A4-0154/96)

— Report on the negotiations in the World Trade Organization (WTO) on trade and the environment — Committee on External Economic Relations

Rapporteur: Mr Kreissl-Dörfler
(A4-0156/96)

— * Report on the proposal for a Council Decision repealing Decision 94/939/EC providing further macro-financial assistance for the Slovak Republic (COM(96)0009 — C4-0154/96 — 96/0018(CNS)) — Committee on External Economic Relations

Rapporteur: Mr Konečný
(A4-0157/96)

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- ****I** Report on the proposal for a Council Directive on minimum requirements for improving the safety and health protection of workers potentially at risk from explosive atmospheres (COM(95)0310 — C4-0508/95 — 95/0235(SYN))
- Committee on Social Affairs and Employment

Rapporteur: Mr Mather
(A4-0158/96)

- Report on the Communication from the Commission concerning perspectives for international cooperation in research and technological development (COM(95)0489 — C4-0502/95) — Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy

Rapporteur: Mr Pompidou
(A4-0160/96)

- Report on the Commission recommendation on payment periods in commercial transactions (C(95)1075 — C4-0198/95)
- Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy

Rapporteur: Mr Harrison
(A4-0161/96)

(db) recommendations for second reading:

- ****II** Recommendation for second reading on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive on ambient air quality assessment and management (C4-0061/96 — 94/0106(SYN)) — Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection

Rapporteur: Mr Papayannakis
(A4-0155/96)

- ****II** Recommendation for second reading on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive on integrated pollution prevention and control (C4-0094/96 — 00/0526(SYN)) — Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection

Rapporteur: Mr Bowe
(A4-0159/96)

(e) Members:

(ea) oral questions for Question Time on 21-22 May (Rule 41) (B4-0441/96):

- Smith, Trakatellis, Murphy, McIntosh, Roubatis, Lomas, Lindqvist, Ahlqvist, Wibe, Alavanos, Provan, Vallvé, Tongue, Needle, Oddy, Papayannakis, Tillich, Posselt, Izquierdo Rojo, Mulder, Gahrton, Ahern, Hyland, Watson, Howitt, Ferrer, David, Gallagher, Elles, Nencini, Kjer Hansen, Sánchez García, Apolinário, Wibe, Vallvé, Izquierdo Rojo, Howitt, Todini, Kestelijn-Sierens, Fraga Estévez, Arias Cañete, Günther, Kinnock, Sindal, Hardstaff, Posselt, Eriksson, Smith, Lindholm, McMahon, Watson, Camisón Asensio, Gredler, Bowe, Hautala, Miller, Megahy, Plooij-van Gorsel, Svensson, Ahern, McKenna, Breyer, Schroedter, Watts, Ferrer, Van der Waal, Vecchi, Kerr, Lannoye, Tamino, Roubatis, Dury, Alavanos,

Pompidou, Vieira, Lomas, Stenmarck, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Lindqvist, McIntosh, Harrison, Hyland, Valverde López, Macartney, Kranidiotis, Cassidy, Andrews, Truscott, Tongue, Needle, Oddy, Vandemeulebroucke, Hatzidakis, Tillich, Teverson, Gahrton, Jackson, De Coene, Dybkjær, Holm, Sandbæk, Kreissl-Dörfler, Krarup, Hulthén, Schörling, Eisma.

(eb) motions for resolution (Rule 45):

- Ferrer on behalf of the PPE Group on the action programme for renewable energy sources in the Mediterranean basin (B4-0306/96)

referred to
responsible: RTDE

- Fernández-Albor on inclusion of development cooperation in university curricula (B4-0418/96)

referred to
responsible: CULT
opinion: DEVE

- Imaz San Miguel on a common organization of the market for potatoes (B4-0419/96)

referred to
responsible: AGRI

- Muscardini, Amadeo, Parigi on the protection of Hartheim Castle (B4-0420/96)

referred to
responsible: CULT
opinion: CIVI

- Ferrer on European cultural diversity (B4-0421/96)

referred to
responsible: CULT

- Ferrer on the reform of the Structural Funds (B4-0422/96)

referred to
responsible: REGI
opinion: ECON

- Ferrer on European Parliament participation in the Structural Funds Monitoring Committees (B4-0423/96)

referred to
responsible: REGI

- Ferrer on drawing up a Directive to make the payment of commercial transactions by a certain deadline obligatory (B4-0424/96)

referred to
responsible: ECON
opinion: REGI

- Ferrer on preserving the humanist dimension in education (B4-0465/96)

referred to
responsible: CULT

- Muscardini on an alternative transport network to support trade between Lodi and Piacenza (B4-0466/96)

referred to
responsible: TRAN
opinion: REGI

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(f) Parliament's delegation to the Conciliation Committee:

— ***III Report on the joint text approved by the Conciliation Committee for a European Parliament and Council Decision laying down a series of guidelines for trans-European energy networks (C4-0206/96 – 94/0009(COD))

Rapporteur: Mr Adam
(A4-0153/96)

9. Texts of agreements forwarded by the Council

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

— Protocol supplementing, following accession, the Memorandum of Understanding concerning the co-location of the diplomatic missions of certain Member States and the Commission representation in Abuja,

— Third additional protocol to the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Bulgaria, of the other part.

10. Petitions

The President announced that, pursuant to Rule 156(5), he had forwarded to the Committee on Petitions the following petitions which had been entered in the register on the dates shown below:

22 April 1996

- by Mr Norbert Rudolf (No 352/96);
- by Mr Dominik Petri (No 353/96);
- by Mr Ahmed El-Khariby (No 354/96);
- by Mr and Mrs Rohmer (No 355/96);
- by Mr Walter Ritschel (VIMBy) (No 356/96);
- by Mr Horst Wenby (Byutscher Bunbyswehr-Verband e.V.) (No 357/96);
- by Mr E. Bennett (No 358/96);
- by Mr D. Stannard (No 359/96);
- by Mr Andrew Dundas (and 67 signatories) (No 360/96);
- by Mrs Sarah Whyler (No 361/96);
- by Mr Günther Byboelpaep (No 362/96);
- by Mr Antero das Neves Gama (No 363/96);
- by Mrs Maria das Dores Cabral da Silva (No 364/96);
- by Mr Francisco Carranza Jornet (No 365/96);
- by Mr Benigno Fernanbyz (Comision by pensionistas y jubilados) (No 366/96);
- by Mrs Marie-Yolany Beau (No 367/96);
- by Mr Georges Kokkinos (No 368/96);
- by Mr Gabriel Richard (No 369/96);
- by Mr Maurizio Cancelmo (No 370/96);
- by Mr Patrizio Navarro (No 371/96);
- by Mr Fabio Padovan (Life Veneto) (No 372/96);

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- by Mr Angelillo Filippo (No 373/96);
- by Mr Oronzo Caputo Leser (No 374/96);
- by Mrs Nathalie Legros (Maison de l'Europe) (No 375/96);
- by Mr Andre Pauma (No 376/96);
- by Mr Pierre Lemoine (Association Bretonne de Culture) (No 377/96);
- by Mr Jean-Pol Thuin (No 378/96);
- by Mr Jacques Poilane (No 379/96);
- by Mrs Mireille Ferri (Groupe 'Les Ecologistes des Pays de la Loire) (and 24 signatories) (No 380/96);
- by Mrs Mary Baker (and 3 signatories) (No 381/96);
- by Mrs Mary Baker (Wexford Environmental Alliance) (No 382/96);
- by Mr Gilbert Wiseman (No 383/96);
- by Mr Jeff Henry Jansen (No 384/96);
- by Mrs Rita van Nek (No 385/96);
- by Mr Paddy Fitzgerald (No 386/96);
- by Mrs N. J. Nokes (No 387/96);
- by Mr Bernhard Völk (No 388/96);
- by Mr Horst Dornberger (No 389/96);
- by Mr Robert Schwartzmanns (No 390/96);
- by Mr Lennart Lüders (No 391/96);
- by Mr Lennart Lüders (No 392/96);
- by Mrs Rosemarie Kositzki (Christlich-Demokratischer Arbeitskreis) (No 393/96);
- by Mr Rudi Maier (Bürgerinitiative Molschleben) (and 570 signatories) (No 394/96);
- by Mr Bert Brendel (No 395/96);
- by Mr Seref Demirci (Solidaritätsbund der Migranten aus der Türkei e.V.) (No 396/96);
- by Mr Tariq Meer (MQM 'Mohajir Quami Movement') (No 397/96);
- by Mr Tariq Meer (MQM 'Mohajir Quami Movement') (No 398/96);

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- by Mrs B. Lane (and 2 signatories) (No 399/96);
- by Mr Peter Jackson (No 400/96);
- by Mr S. Brunisholz (and 380 signatories) (No 401/96);
- by Mrs Viviane Anne-Westwood (No 402/96);
- by Mr Rory Meldrum (No 403/96);
- by Mrs Doreen Turner (No 404/96);
- by Mr John Higgins (No 405/96);
- by Mr Colin Stickland (No 406/96);
- by Mr T.G. Prior (No 407/96);
- by Mr Fintan Cassidy (Marino Development Action Group) (No 408/96);
- by Mrs Betty Bowen (and 3 500 signatories) (No 409/96);
- by Mrs Rozemarijn Spilliaert (No 410/96);
- by Support for Cyprus Struggle (and 800 signatories) (No 411/96);

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by Mr Knud Hencke (No 412/96);
 by Mr Rolf Jürgens (No 413/96);
 by Mrs Marion Erdelkamp (No 414/96);
 by Mr Wilhelm Brunert (No 415/96);
 by Mrs Irmtraut Krumrey (Evang. Diakoniewerk Schwäbisch Hall e.V.) (and 300 signatories) (No 416/96);
 by Mr Ewald Böök (No 417/96);
 by Mrs Bettina Wieggers and Mr Holger Schmidt (No 418/96);
 by Mr Herbert Holz (No 419/96);
 by Mrs Karin Baer (No 420/96);
 by Mrs Stephanie Luscher (Junge Liberale Niedersachsen e.V.) (No 421/96);
 by Mrs Petra König (No 422/96);
 by Mr Adolf Tüch (and 3 signatories) (No 423/96);
 by Mr Claude Nicolet (No 424/96);
 by Mrs Jeannine Astruc (No 425/96);
 by Mr Ph. Sarris (No 426/96);
 by Mr Hafsi Nordine (No 427/96);
 by Mr Simon Kessler (Union Européenne des Frontaliers) (No 428/96);
 by Mr Celestino Gutiérrez González (No 429/96);
 by Mr Francesco Lucantoni (No 430/96);
 by Mr José Enrique Herrera Arteaga (and 315 signatories) (No 431/96);
 by Mr Vicente Padrón Sánchez (No 432/96);
 by Mr Faustino Acosta Arias (No 433/96);
 by Mrs Isabel Cuervo Fernández (and 2 signatories) (No 434/96);
 by Mr Jordi Roig Sans (Colectivo Antipolución de Cervelló y Vallirana) (No 435/96);
 by Mr Braulio Cruz Almeida (No 436/96);
 by Mr Olindo Alvez Oliveira (No 437/96);

11. Transfer of appropriations

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At its meeting of 22 April 1996 the Committee on Budgets had considered proposal No 5/96 for the transfer of appropriations (SEC(96)0547 — C4-0215/96) concerning compulsory expenditure under Article B0-240 (Payments to the Guarantee Fund in respect of new operations).

After discussion and after having heard the Council's opinion, the Committee had decided to authorize a transfer from the reserve to the following budget line:

B0-240 Payments to the Guarantee Fund in respect of new operations	ECU 191 890 000
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Should the Council not approve the transfer requested by the Commission a dialogue would be initiated under paragraph 15 of the IIA.

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The Committee on Budgetary Control had approved proposal No 6/96 for the transfer of appropriations (SEC(96)0581 — C4-0216/96) concerning compulsory expenditure.

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The Committee on Budgets had considered proposal No 7/96 for the transfer of appropriations (SEC(96)0599 — C4-0217/96) concerning budget line B8-013 (Other joint actions of the European Union for the CFSP).

After discussion and having heard the Council's opinion the Committee had decided to authorize a transfer from the reserve to the following budget line:

B8-013 Other joint actions of the European Union for the CFSP	ECU 5 000 000
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During the meeting however the Commission's attention had been drawn to the fact that, if additional appropriations were required for this action during 1996, Parliament considered that these should be found in other budget lines. The Committee had in any case insisted that this action should be financed in 1997 from budget line B7-6002 (External cooperation measures).

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The Committee on Budgets had considered proposal No 8/96 (SEC(96)0626 — C4-0227/96) concerning non-compulsory expenditure.

The Committee had noted that the proposal was accompanied by information on progress in inter-institutional cooperation on the management of building expenditure.

As a result of the provision of this information, the Committee had authorized the transfer of ECU 500 000 from Chapter 100 to Article 203 (Cleaning and maintenance).

12. Order of business

The next item was the order of business.

The President announced that the final draft agenda for the part-session of May II and June I 1996 (PE 165.957) had been distributed, and that the following changes had been made or proposed to it (Rule 96):

(a) *Sittings of 20-24 May 1996 in Strasbourg*

Deadlines

— The President announced that the PPE Group had asked for deadlines to be set for tabling motions for resolutions concerning the Commission statement on US measures concerning trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya which was on Friday's agenda (Item 175):

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The deadlines would be as follows:

- 12 noon on Tuesday for motions for resolutions
- 12 noon on Wednesday for amendments and joint motions for resolutions

Speaking time

— The UPE Group had however proposed a change concerning Wednesday's sitting which involved allocating speaking time for that afternoon more flexibly, so that an overall amount of speaking time was made available for the periods 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 12 midnight and not, as was presently the case, separate speaking time for the debate on agricultural prices. This was on the understanding that overall speaking time for Members would be unchanged.

The following spoke: Mr Pasty, on behalf of the UPE Group, who moved this request, Mrs Green, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr De Vries, on behalf of the ELDR Group, and Mrs Green who announced that her Group could support the request provided it received an assurance that, even if the Dankert report (A4-0132/96, Item 146) was taken during a night sitting, the debate would be attended by the senior officials responsible for the European Parliament's budget (the President commented that this would certainly be the case).

Parliament agreed to this request.

Mrs Green spoke.

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Requests for urgent procedure (Rule 97)

— proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 — C4-0069/96 — 95/0328(CNS)) (Baldarelli report A4-0134/96)

Reason for request: This proposal would introduce a ban on fishing for red tuna between 1 June and 31 July 1996. The Regulation should therefore enter into force by 1 June 1996.

Parliament would vote on this request at the beginning of the following day's sitting.

(b) *Sittings of 5 and 6 June 1996 in Brussels*

— The PPE Group had requested a Council statement on the decision not to admit Croatia to the Council of Europe.

Mrs Oomen-Ruijten moved the request.

On a proposal by the President Parliament agreed to enter the statement on the agenda of the sitting of Wednesday 5 June.

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The order of business was thus established.

13. Speaking time

The debates would be organized as follows, pursuant to Rule 106.

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5 — 8 p.m.

Opening of part-session and order of business	30 minutes
Report by Mr Escudero (return of cultural objects)	
Report by Mr Escudero (export of cultural goods)	
Recommendation by Mrs Sauquillo Pérez del Arco	
Recommendation by Mr Telkämper	
Recommendation by Mr Andrews and Mrs Baldi	
Rapporteurs	25 minutes (5 x 5')
Draftsmen	8 minutes
Commission	25 minutes (including replies)
Members	75 minutes

Tuesday, 21 May 1996

9.15 — 12 noon

Report by Mr Valdivielso de Cué	
Report by Mrs Roth	
Oral question (broadcasting of sports events)	
Report by Mr Adam	
Rapporteurs	15 minutes (3 x 5')
Draftsmen	14 minutes
Author	5 minutes
Commission	20 minutes (including replies)
Members	90 minutes

3 — 5.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. — 12 midnight

Report by Mr W.G. van Velzen	
Report by Mr Herman	
Report by Mr Cassidy	
Report by Mr Miranda	
Report by Mr Fabra Vallés	
Presentation of 1997 preliminary draft budget	
Recommendation by Mr Florenz	
Recommendation by Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen	
Recommendation by Mr Papayannakis	
Recommendation by Mr Bowe (landfill of waste)	
Rapporteurs	45 minutes (9 x 5')
Draftsmen	14 minutes
Commission	55 minutes (including replies)
Members	180 minutes

Wednesday, 22 May 1996

9.15 a.m. — 12 noon

Commission statement (Member States' excessive deficits)	
Recommendation by Mr Bowe (integrated pollution prevention and control)	
Recommendation by Mr Bowe (disposal of PCB and PCT)	

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Report by Mr Bontempi
Report by Mrs Theato

Commission	35 minutes (including replies)
Rapporteurs	20 minutes (4 x 5')
Draftsmen	8 minutes
Members	60 minutes (plus 30 minutes of questions)

3 – 5.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. – 12 midnight

Report by Mr Santini
Report by Mr Dankert
Report by Mr Skinner
Report by Mr Papakyriazis
Report by Mr Mezzaroma
Report by Mr Morris

Rapporteur 'Agricultural prices'	10 minutes
Other rapporteurs	25 minutes (5 x 5')
Draftsmen	26 minutes
Council	5 minutes
Commission	35 minutes (including replies)
Members	195 minutes

Thursday, 23 May 1996

12 noon – 1 p.m. and 6 – 8 p.m.

Report by Mr Gahrton
Report by Mr Nordmann
Statement by the Commission (Habitat II)
Report by Mr Kreissl-Dörfler
Report by Mr Pex

Rapporteurs	20 minutes (4 x 5')
Draftsmen	16 minutes
Commission	30 minutes (including replies)
Members	90 minutes

Friday, 24 May 1996

Report by Mr Girão Pereira
Report by Mr Jové Peres

Report by Mrs Crepaz
Commission statement (US trade measures)

Rapporteurs	15 minutes (3 x 5')
Draftsmen	8 minutes
Commission	25 minutes (including replies)
Members	90 minutes

Wednesday, 5 June 1996

4.30 – 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. – 12 midnight

Report by Mr von Habsburg
Oral questions (free movement of persons)
Council statement (Croatia)
Report by Mr Kittelmann
Report by Mr Argyros
Report by Mrs Plooij-van Gorsel
Report by Mr Pompidou
Recommendation by Mrs Marinucci

Rapporteurs	30 minutes (6 x 5')
Draftsmen	38 minutes
Author	2 minutes
Council	15 minutes (including replies)
Commission	35 minutes (including replies)
Members	195 minutes

Thursday, 6 June 1996

9 – 11 a.m.

Report by Mr Parodi
Recommendation by Mr Farassino
Recommendation by Mr Le Rachinel

Rapporteurs	15 minutes (3 x 5')
Draftsmen	14 minutes
Commission	15 minutes (including replies)
Members	60 minutes

SPEAKING TIME FOR MEMBERS

(in minutes)

Total:	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300
<i>Group</i>									
Party of European Socialists (217)	17	27	37	48	58	68	79	89	100
European People's Party (173)	14	22	30	38	47	55	63	72	80
Union for Europe (55)	6	8	11	13	16	19	21	24	26
European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party (52)	5	8	11	13	15	18	20	23	25
Confederal Group of the European United Left / Nordic Green Left (33)	4	6	7	9	11	12	14	15	17
Green Group in the European Parliament (27)	4	5	7	8	9	11	12	13	15
European Radical Alliance (20)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	10.5
Europe of Nations (18)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	10.5
Non-attached Members (31)	4	6	7	9	10	11	13	14	16

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14. Topical and urgent debate (subjects proposed)

The President proposed the following five subjects for the next topical and urgent debate to be held on Thursday:

- failure of Conference on anti-personnel mines
- free movement and transport of agricultural products in the Union
- human rights
- Cambodia
- storage of nuclear waste in the Union

15. Return and export of cultural goods *I/*** (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on two reports, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media.

Mr Escudero introduced his reports:

- on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending the Annex to Council Directive 93/7/EEC of 15 March 1993 on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State (COM(95)0479 — C4-0463/95 — 95/0254(COD)) (A4-0110/96).
- on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending the Annex to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3911/92 of 9 December 1992 on the export of cultural goods (COM(95)0479 — C4-0558/95 — 95/0253(CNS)) (A4-0111/96).

The following spoke: Mr Papayannakis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Ullmann, on behalf of the V Group, Mrs Leperre-Verrier, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Theonas, Mr Blot, Mr Lukas and Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 21.5.1996, Part I, Item 13.

16. Humanitarian aid **II (debate)

Mrs Sauquillo Perez Del Arco introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation concerning humanitarian aid (C4-0098/96 — 95/0119(SYN)) (A4-0125/96).

The following spoke: Mr Kouchner, chairman of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Liese, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mrs Baldi, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group and Mr Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr GIL-ROBLES GIL-DELGADO

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mr Dell'Alba, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Howitt, Mrs Kinnock and Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 21.5.1996, Part I, Item 10.

17. Food aid policy **II (debate)

Mr Telkämper introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation on food-aid policy and food-aid management and special operations in support of food aid (C4-0097/96 — 95/0160(SYN)) (A4-0126/96).

The following spoke: Mr Kouchner, chairman of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Andrews, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Howitt and Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 21.5.1996, Part I, Item 11.

18. Rehabilitation in developing countries **II (debate)

Mrs Baldi and Mr Andrews, co-rapporteurs, introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation on rehabilitation and reconstruction operations in developing countries (C4-0099/96 — 95/0165(SYN)) (A4-0136/96).

The following spoke: Mr Kouchner, chairman of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Corrie, on behalf of the PPE Group, and Mrs Aelvoet, on behalf of the V Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr AVGERINOS

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mr Souchet, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Howitt, Mrs Kinnock, Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission, and Mrs Baldi who put a question to the Commission which Mrs Bonino answered.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 21.5.1996, Part I, Item 12.

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19. Agenda for next sitting

3 to 5.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting of Tuesday 21 May 1996:

— joint debate on three reports on telecommunications (W.G. van Velzen, Herman and Cassidy) ***I

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3 to 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight

— joint debate on two reports on Parliament's estimates (Miranda and Fabra Vallés) and presentation of 1997 PDB

9 to 9.15 a.m.

— topical and urgent debate (announcement of motions tabled)

— recommendation for second reading by Mr Florenz on mineral waters ***II

— decision on urgent procedure

— recommendation for second reading by Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen on foodstuffs ***II

9.15 a.m. to 12 noon

— Valdivielso de Cué report on a framework agreement with the Southern Cone Common Market *

— recommendation for second reading by Mr Papayannakis on air quality **II

— Roth report on hooliganism

— recommendation for second reading by Mr Bowe on landfill of waste **II

— oral question to the Commission on broadcasting of sports events

— Adam report on trans-European energy networks ***III

5.30 to 7 p.m.

12 noon

— Question Time (to the Commission)

— voting time

— topical and urgent debate (list of subjects selected)

(The sitting closed at 7.15 p.m.)

Enrico VINCI
Secretary-General

José María GIL-ROBLES GIL-DELGADO
Vice-President

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ATTENDANCE REGISTER**20 May 1996**

The following signed:

d'Aboville, Adam, Aelvoet, Ahern, Ahlqvist, Alber, Amadeo, Anastassopoulos, d'Ancona, Andersson, André-Léonard, Andrews, Aparicio Sánchez, Apolinário, Areitio Toledo, Argyros, Arias Cañete, Augias, Avgerinos, Baggioni, Baldarelli, Baldi, Banotti, Bardong, Barón Crespo, Barros Moura, Barthes-Mayer, Barzanti, Baudis, Bébéar, Belleré, Berend, Berès, Bernard-Reymond, Bertens, Berthu, Bertinotti, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bloch von Blottnitz, Blokland, Blot, Böge, Bösch, Bonde, Boniperti, Bontempi, Boogerd-Quaak, Bourlanges, Bowe, Bredin, de Brémond d'Ars, Breyer, Brinkhorst, Burenstam Linder, Burtone, Cabezón Alonso, Caccavale, Caligaris, Camisón Asensio, Campos, Candal, Capucho, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Casini Pier Ferdinando, Cassidy, Castagnède, Castagnetti, Castellina, Caudron, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Christodoulou, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Gerard, Collins Kenneth D., Colombo Svevo, Colom i Naval, Correia, Corrie, Costa Neves, Cox, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Crowley, Cunha, Cunningham, Dankert, Dary, David, De Clercq, De Giovanni, Dell'Alba, De Luca, De Melo, Deprez, Desama, de Vries, Díez de Rivera Icaza, van Dijk, Dillen, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnay, Donnelly Alan John, Donnelly Brendan Patrick, Dybkjær, Ebner, Eisma, Elchlepp, Elles, Elliott, Eriksson, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Evans, Ewing, Fabra Vallés, Farassino, Farthofer, Fayot, Ferber, Féret, Fernández-Albor, Fitzsimons, Fontaine, Ford, Fraga Estévez, Friedrich, Frutos Gama, Funk, Gahrton, Gallagher, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garosci, Gasòliba i Böhm, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Giansily, Gillis, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Girão Pereira, Glante, Glase, Goepel, Goerens, Görlach, Gomolka, González Triviño, Graenitz, Graziani, Gredler, Gröner, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Guigou, Guinebertière, Gutiérrez Díaz, von Habsburg, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Hatzidakis, Hautala, Hawlicek, Heinisch, Hendrick, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Herzog, Hlavac, Hoff, Holm, Hoppenstedt, Hory, Howitt, Hughes, Imbeni, Iversen, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jackson, Jacob, Järvilahti, Jensen Kirsten M., Jensen Lis, Jöns, Jouppila, Jung, Kaklamanis, Katiforis, Kellett-Bowman, Kerr, Kestelijn-Sierens, Killilea, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kittelmann, Klab, Klironomos, Koch, König, Kofoed, Kokkola, Konrad, Kouchner, Krarup, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kristoffersen, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Laignel, La Malfa, Lambraki, Lambrias, Lange, Langen, Langenhagen, Lannoye, Larive, Le Gallou, Lehne, Lenz, Leperre-Verrier, Liese, Ligabue, Lindeperg, Lindholm, Lindqvist, Linzer, Lööv, Lukas, Lulling, Macartney, McIntosh, McKenna, McMahon, McNally, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Malerba, Malone, Mamère, Mann Erika, Mann Thomas, Marinho, Marinucci, Maset Campos, Martens, Martin David W., Mayer, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Mendonça, Menrad, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Mohamed Ali, Mombaur, Moniz, Moorhouse, Morán López, Moretti, Moscovici, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Müller, Mulder, Murphy, Nassauer, Needle, Newens, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Nordmann, Novo, Oddy, Olsson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Orlando, Pack, Pailler, Panagopoulos, Papakyriazis, Papayannakis, Parodi, Pasty, Pelttari, Pérez Royo, Perry, Pery, Peter, Pettinari, Pex, Piecyk, Pimenta, Piquet, Plooi-van Gorsel, Plumb, Poettering, Pompidou, Pons Grau, Posselt, Pradier, Pronk, Provan, van Putten, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Rauti, Read, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rehder, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli Ilmari, Ribeiro, Rinsche, Rönnholm, Rosado Fernandes, Roth, Roth-Behrendt, Roubatis, Rübige, Rusanen, Sainjon, Saint-Pierre, Sakellariou, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Samland, Sandbæk, Santini, Sanz Fernández, Sarlis, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Scapagnini, Schäfer, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlechter, Schleicher, Schmidbauer, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schwaiger, Seal, Secchi, Seillier, Simpson, Sindal, Sisó Cruellas, Skinner, Smith, Sonneveld, Souchet, Soulier, Spiers, Spindelegger, Stenius-Kaukonen, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Striby, Sturdy, Svensson, Tajani, Tamino, Tannert, Telkämper, Terrón i Cusí, Teverson, Theato, Theonas, Theorin, Thomas, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Titley, Todini, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trakatellis, Tsatsos, Ullmann, Väyrynen, Valdivielso de Cué, Vallvé, Valverde López, Vandemeulebroucke, Vanhecke, Van Lancker, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vecchi, van Velzen W.G., van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Verwaerde, Viceconte, Vieira, de Villiers, Vinci, Virgin, van der Waal, Waddington, Waidelich, Watson, Watts, Weber, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek, Willcockx, Wilson, von Wogau, Wolf, Wynn, Zimmermann.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF TUESDAY, 21 MAY 1996

(96/C 166/02)

PART I

Proceedings of the sitting

IN THE CHAIR: Mr GIL-ROBLES GIL-DELGADO

Vice-President

(The sitting opened at 9 a.m.)

1. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

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Mr Morris raised a technical problem with the English interpreting.

2. Documents received

The President announced that he had received from committees the following reports:

— Report on the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the European Parliament and the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the Ombudsman for the 1997 financial year — Committee on Budgets.

Rapporteur: Mr Fabra Vallés
(A4-0162/96)

— Report on Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure and the Ombudsman's estimates of revenue and expenditure with a view to a supplementary and amending budget for the financial year 1996 — Committee on Budgets.

Rapporteur: Mr Miranda
(A4-0164/96)

3. Topical and urgent debate (motions for resolutions tabled)

The President announced that he had received from the following Members or political groups requests for the inclusion in the debate on topical and urgent subjects of major importance of motions for resolutions pursuant to Rule 47(1):

— André-Léonard, Goerens and Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on a ban on anti-personnel landmines (B4-0582/96);

— Pimenta and Cars, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the elections in Russia (B4-0583/96);

— Gredler, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Eisma and Pimenta, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the storage of nuclear waste in Gorleben (B4-0584/96);

— Moretti and Cars, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the violations of human rights in Croatia (B4-0585/96);

— Pimenta, Goerens and André-Léonard, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the massacre of farm labourers in Brazil (B4-0586/96);

— Pimenta, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the lack of fundamental freedoms in Indonesia (B4-0587/96);

— Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on human rights violations in Burma (Myanmar) (B4-0588/96);

— Gredler, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the Vietnamese refugees in Hong Kong (B4-0589/96);

— Bloch von Blotnitz, Lannoye, Ahern, Breyer, Ripa Di Meana and McKenna, on behalf of the V Group, on the storage of radioactive waste in Europe (B4-0593/96);

— Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group, on the persons without identity papers in Saint Ambroise (France) (B4-0594/96);

— Mamère and Macartney, on behalf of the ARE Group, on the demonstrations against the arrival of a consignment of nuclear waste in Gorleben (Germany) (B4-0595/96);

— Pradier, Macartney and Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group, on anti-personnel mines and the Vienna International Conference on the review of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (B4-0596/96);

— Mulder, Gasòliba i Böhm and Vallé, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the threats to free movement of agriculture products in the Union (B4-0597/96);

— Eisma and Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the first EU-Cambodia Agreement (B4-0598/96);

— Bertens, André-Léonard and Fassa, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the continuing violation of human rights in Nigeria (B4-0599/96);

— W.G. van Velzen, Schleicher, Mombaur and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the transport of radioactive waste to Gorleben (B4-0600/96);

— Piquet, Sierra González, Manisco, Ribeiro, Ephremidis, Sjöstedt and Alavanos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the Geneva agreement on anti-personnel mines (B4-0602/96);

— Jové Peres, Ephremidis, Sornosa Martínez, Sierra González, Maset Campos and Mohamed Ali, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on free movement and transport of farm produce within the European Union (B4-0603/96);

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- Pettinari, Mohamed Ali, Alavanos and Theonas, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on press freedom in Croatia (B4-0604/96);
- González Álvarez, Ribeiro, Novo, Ainarði, Vinci and Marmet Campos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights in Brazil (B4-0605/96);
- Elmalan, Sierra González, Svensson and Ephremidis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights violations in Tunisia (B4-0606/96);
- Alavanos, Sornosa Martínez and Ephremidis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights violations in the context of the general elections in Albania (B4-0607/96);
- Vinci and Sornosa Martínez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on violations of human rights and the rights of the Karen people in Myanmar (B4-0608/96);
- González Álvarez, Novo, Svensson, Piquet, Carnero González, Manisco and Theonas, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights in Chiapas (B4-0609/96);
- Sornosa Martínez and Sierra González, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on female genital mutilation (B4-0610/96);
- Papayannakis, Marmet Campos, Manisco and Eriksson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the storage of nuclear waste in Gorleben (Germany) (B4-0611/96);
- Pasty, Ligabue and Pompidou, on behalf of the UPE Group, on the situation in Cambodia (B4-0612/96);
- Pasty, Ligabue and Pompidou, on behalf of the UPE Group, on the limited results of the Geneva Conference on the banning of anti-personnel mines (B4-0613/96);
- Gerard Collins, Andrews, Crowley, Fitzsimons, Gallagher, Hyland, Killilea, Pasty, Ligabue and Pompidou, on behalf of the UPE Group, on paedophile networks on the Internet (B4-0614/96);
- Pons Grau, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the trial for murder of European citizen Don Carmelo Soria Espinosa (B4-0615/96);
- Cabezón Alonso, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the death penalty in Cuba (B4-0616/96);
- Cabezón Alonso and Colino Salamanca, on behalf of the PSE Group, on attacks by French farmers on Spanish fruit consignments (B4-0617/96);
- Tomlinson and Murphy, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the detention of Raghbir Singh Johal (B4-0618/96);
- Howitt, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the events in Hong Kong (B4-0619/96);
- Dury, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the situation of disappeared persons in Argentina (B4-0620/96);
- Lindeperg, Kouchner and Sakellariou, on behalf of the PSE Group, on human rights in Tunisia (B4-0621/96);
- Van Lancker, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Honduras (B4-0622/96);
- Katifioris, Howitt and Miranda de Lage, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the human rights situation in Brazil (B4-0623/96);
- Hardstaff, Kinnock, Waddington, Cunningham and Needle, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Nigeria (B4-0624/96);
- Hoff, Occhetto, Roubatis and Wiersma, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the situation in Albania (B4-0625/96);
- Dury, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the expulsion of the Vangu family (B4-0626/96);
- Van Bladel, Kenneth D. Collins and Malone, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Cambodia (B4-0627/96);
- Lange, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the transport of radioactive waste to the Gorleben intermediate nuclear storage site (B4-0628/96);
- D'Ancona, Elliott, Cunningham, Berès, Tongue, Schulz, Barros Moura, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Linkohr and Kouchner, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the failure of the conference on anti-personnel mines (B4-0629/96);
- D'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Burma (B4-0630/96);
- Pettinari, Miranda and Gutiérrez Díaz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on Nigeria (B4-0631/96);
- Ferrer, Maij-Weggen and Schwaiger, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the civil war in Liberia (B4-0632/96);
- Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Pons Grau and Díez de Rivera Icaza, on behalf of the PSE Group, on conflict in Liberia (B4-0633/96);
- Dell'Alba, on behalf of the ARE Group, on the situation of the Liberian population (B4-0634/96);
- Müller, Aelvoet, Telkämper and McKenna, on behalf of the V Group, on Nigeria (B4-0635/96);
- Aglietta and Ripa Di Meana, on behalf of the V Group, on the persecution of Buddhist monks (B4-0636/96);
- Schroedter, on behalf of the V Group, on the criminalisation of political opposition and harassment of journalists in Belarus (B4-0637/96);
- Kreissl-Dörfler, Telkämper and Aelvoet, on behalf of the V Group, on the massacre in Pará, Brazil (B4-0638/96);
- Aelvoet, Cohn-Bendit and Tamino, on behalf of the V Group, on the freedom of the press in Croatia (B4-0639/96);
- Aelvoet and Tamino, on behalf of the V Group, on the situation in Albania with a view to the next elections (B4-0640/96);
- Roth, on behalf of the V Group, on the introduction of chemical substances containing cyanide during gold mining near Pergamon in Turkey (B4-0641/96);

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- Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group, on Burma (B4-0642/96);
- McKenna and Ahern, on behalf of the V Group, on the poor conditions of detention in Mountjoy, Dublin, Ireland's largest prison (B4-0643/96);
- Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group, on Cambodia (B4-0644/96);
- Telkämper and McKenna, on behalf of the V Group, on the sentence of the former Minister of Parliament of the Republic of Indonesia (B4-0645/96);
- Telkämper, Hautala, McKenna and Ripa Di Meana, on behalf of the V Group, on the failure of the Mines Conference (B4-0646/96);
- Cohn-Bendit and Roth, on behalf of the V Group, on human rights violations in Tunisia (B4-0647/96);
- Moorhouse, Maij-Weggen and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the violation of the human rights of the Karen people of Myanmar (Burma) (B4-0648/96);
- Moorhouse and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on human rights in Tibet (B4-0649/96);
- Liese, on behalf of the PPE Group, on attacks on the human rights of disabled people (B4-0650/96);
- Lenz and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the situation in Belarus (B4-0651/96);
- Ferrer and Redondo Jiménez, on behalf of the PPE Group, on attacks against Spanish fruit transporters in southern France (B4-0652/96);
- Maij-Weggen, Moorhouse and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on Cambodia (B4-0653/96);
- Von Habsburg and Oostlander, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the arrest of Colonel Rudolf Peresin in the former Yugoslavia (B4-0654/96);
- Oostlander, Stenius-Kaukonen and Stewart-Clark, on behalf of the PPE Group, on human rights in Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia (B4-0655/96);
- Oostlander and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the conference on anti-personnel mines (B4-0656/96);
- Camisón Asensio, Lenz and Fernández-Albor, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the incident in the State of Pará involving the police and rural workers (B4-0657/96).

The President announced that, pursuant to Rule 47, Parliament would be informed at the end of the morning's sitting of the list of subjects to be included on the agenda for the next debate on topical and urgent subjects of major importance to be held from 3 to 6 p.m. on Thursday 23 May 1996.

4. Decision on urgent procedure

The next item was the decision on one request for urgent procedure.

- proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 on laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 -C4-0069/96 - 95/0328(CNS)) * (Baldarelli report A4-0134/96).

Mr Arias Cañete, chairman of the Fisheries Committee, spoke.

Parliament approved the request.

The item would be added to the agenda of Friday 24 May 1996.

The deadline for tabling amendments in plenary was set at 12 noon on Wednesday 22 May 1996.

5. Framework cooperation agreement with Southern Cone Common Market * (debate)

Mr Valdivielso De Cué introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations, on the proposal for a Council decision concerning the conclusion of the interregional framework cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Southern Cone Common Market and its member countries, of the other part (COM(95)0504 - C4-0130/96 - 95/0261(CNS)) (A4-0118/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Estevan Bolea, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Research, Mrs Miranda de Lage, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Bertens, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Mr Malerba, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Kreissl-Dörfler, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Berthu, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Carl Lang, Non-attached Member, Mr Moniz, Mr Schreiner and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 14.

6. Hooliganism (debate)

Mrs Roth introduced her report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs, on hooliganism and the free movement of football supporters (A4-0124/96).

The following spoke: Mr Ford, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mrs Reding, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Boniperti, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Pailler, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Cohn-Bendit, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Tapie, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Krarup, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Le Gallou, Non-attached Member, Mr Marinho who also offered his condolences to the family of a victim of hooliganism who had died in Lisbon the previous week, Mr Oostlander and Mr Andrews.

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IN THE CHAIR: Mr CAPUCHO

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mr Ribeiro, Mr Bellerè, Mr De Coene, Mr Evans and Mr Monti, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 15.

7. Broadcasting of sports events (debate)

Mrs Castellina moved the oral question, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media, to the Commission on broadcasting of sports events (B4-0135/96 — O-0049/96).

Mr Monti, Member of the Commission, answered the question.

The following spoke: Ms Tongue, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Hoppenstedt, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Santini, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Larive, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Mohamed Ali, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Tamino, on behalf of the V Group, Mrs Leperre-Verrier, on behalf of the ARE Group.

The President announced that he had received motions for resolutions pursuant to Rule 40(5) from the following Members:

— Castellina, on behalf of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media, on the broadcasting of sports events (B4-0326/96);

The following spoke: Mr Murphy, Mr Perry, Mr Fitzsimons, Mr Monfils, Mr De Coene, Mr Pex, Mr Augias, Mr Linzer, Mrs Hawlicek, and Mr Monti.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 19.

8. Trans-European energy networks ***III (debate)

Mr Adam introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the European Parliament delegation to the Conciliation Committee, on the joint text approved by the Conciliation Committee for a European Parliament and Council Decision laying down a series of guidelines on trans-European energy networks (C4-0206/96 — 94/0009(COD)) (A4-0153/96).

The following spoke: Mr Desama, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr W.G. van Velzen, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mrs Plooijs-van Gorsel, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Stenius-Kaukonen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Lannoye, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Rönholm, Mrs Fontaine, Mrs Joupila and Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 9.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr ANASTASSOPOULOS

Vice-President

The following spoke:

— Mrs Izquierdo Rojo who referred to an invitation by Members of the European Parliament to the former leader of the Lebanese Government, General Aoun, to brief them on the situation in Lebanon, and criticised the position of the French Government which had opposed the invitation; she asked the President of the European Parliament to protest against the French Government's position and to uphold the European and non-territorial character of the European Parliament which should not, she said, be confused with a French Assembly,

— Mr Pasty who noted out that the invitation had been made by the Mediterranean Intergroup which was not an official body of Parliament; he considered the invitation a political mistake,

— Mr Watson who asked for a statement by Mr Fischler, on behalf of the Commission, or by the Council during the current part-session on the present situation with regard to the embargo on British beef exports (the President replied he would refer the matter to the Bureau),

— Mr Thomas who supported this request.

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9. Trans-European energy networks ***III (vote)

Report by the European Parliament delegation to the Conciliation Committee (A4-0153/96) (rapporteur: Mr Adam)

DRAFT DECISION

Parliament adopted the decision (*Part II, Item 1*).

The joint text, C4-0206/96 — 94/0009(COD), was thereby approved.

10. Humanitarian aid **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mrs Sauquillo Pérez del Arco (A4-0125/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0098/96 — 95/0119(SYN):

Amendments adopted: 1 and 3

Amendment rejected: 2 by EV (264 for, 133 against, 0 abstentions)

Separate vote: am. 2 (PPE)

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 2*).

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11. Food aid policy **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Telkämper (A4-0126/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0097/96 – 95/0160(SYN):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 11 and 13 to 41 collectively;

Amendment rejected: 12

Separate vote: am. 12 (PPE)

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 3*).

12. Rehabilitation in developing countries **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Andrews and Mrs Baldi (A4-0136/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0099/96 – 95/0165(SYN):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 19 collectively

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 4*).

13. Return and export of cultural goods ***I/* (vote)

Escudero reports (A4-0110/96 and A4-0111/96)

(a) A4-0110/96

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0479 – C4-0463/95 – 95/0254(COD):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 5(a)*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 5(a)*).

(b) A4-0111/96

PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0479 – C4-0558/95 – 95/0253(CNS):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 5(b)*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 5(b)*).

14. Framework cooperation agreement with Southern Cone Common Market * (vote)

Valdivielso de Cué report (A4-0118/96)

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION COM(95)0504 – C4-0130/96 – 95/0261(CNS):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 6*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution by RCV (EDN):

Members voting:	407
For:	370
Against:	30
Abstentions:	7

(*Part II, Item 6*).

15. Hooliganism (vote)

Roth report (A4-0124/96)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 16 by EV (257 for, 151 against, 1 abstention); 17 by EV (234 for, 184 against, 2 abstentions); 1 by EV (239 for, 164 against, 19 abstentions); 35; 2; 20; 5, as amended, by EV (266 for, 156 against, 8 abstentions); 6 (1st part) by EV (283 for, 149 against, 6 abstentions); 7 by EV (254 for, 163 against, 13 abstentions); 33; 21; 9; 22; 10; 23 by EV (236 for, 203 against, 11 abstentions); 13, as amended, by EV (297 for, 155 against, 10 abstentions); 24; 15

Amendments rejected: 30 by RCV; 25; 26; 34 by EV (185 for, 234 against, 11 abstentions); 27; 18; 3; 28 by EV (189 for, 223 against, 27 abstentions); 19; 6 (2nd part); 29; 32 by EV (183 for, 232 against, 29 abstentions)

Amendments fallen: 12; 11; 31; 14

Amendments withdrawn: 4; 8

The different parts of the text were adopted in order: by EV: recital H (252 for, 168 against, 12 abstentions); recital M (258 for, 158 against, 11 abstentions); para. 5 (256 for, 172 against, 16 abstentions); para. 9 (214 for, 203 against, 8 abstentions); para. 10 (229 for, 201 against, 4 abstentions); para. 14 (295 for, 134 against, 3 abstentions); para. 15 (221 for, 208 against, 10 abstentions); para. 17 (280 for, 124 against, 15 abstentions); para. 32 (288 for, 145 against, 8 abstentions); para. 38 (229 for, 203 against, 4 abstentions); para. 47 (250 for, 183 against, 7 abstentions);

The following parts of the text were rejected: para. 19 by EV (210 for, 222 against, 11 abstentions); para. 45 by EV (211 for, 225 against, 4 abstentions);

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The following spoke during the vote:

— the President announced that the rapporteur had accepted amendment 1 provided it was taken as an addition; Mrs Larive, co-author of the amendment on behalf of the ELDR Group, objected;

— the rapporteur proposed that, in am. 5, the words 'and with supporters' should be added after the words 'supporters' clubs', to which Mrs Larive, co-author of the amendment on behalf of the ELDR Group, agreed (the President established that there was no opposition to voting on this oral amendment);

— Mrs Larive withdrew am. 8;

— the rapporteur expressed the belief that am. 22 was compatible with am. 9 although it had been announced that this amendment had fallen following the adoption of am. 9; am. 22 was put to the vote;

— the rapporteur asked for the first part of am. 12 and the second part of am. 23 to be combined; the President established that many Members were opposed and did not grant the request;

— the rapporteur asked for am. 13, which was to para. 51, to replace para. 7 instead; Mrs Larive, co-author of am. 13 on behalf of the ELDR Group, agreed;

Separate votes: recital M (UPE, PPE); para. 12 (UPE); 17 (PPE); 19 (Mr Ford, on behalf of the PSE Group); 38 (UPE, PPE); 47 (PPE); 49 (UPE);

Split votes:

am. 6 (PSE):

1st part: text without the words 'and the Committee of the Regions'

2nd part: these words

Results of RCVs:

am. 30 (PSE):

Members voting:	429
For:	177
Against:	242
Abstentions:	10

Parliament adopted the resolution by RCV (PSE, V):

Members voting:	458
For:	285
Against:	152
Abstentions:	21

(Part II, Item 7).

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Explanations of vote:

Valdivielso de Cué report (A4-0118/96)

— *in writing:* Mr Novo, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Van der Waal, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mrs Poisson

Roth report (A4-0124/96)

— *oral:* Mr Titley

— *in writing:* Mr Vanhecke; Mr Striby; Mr Berthu; Mrs Poisson; Mr Wibe; Mr Blak, Mr Sindal and Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen; Mr Svensson, Mr Holm, Mrs Lindholm, Mr Eriksson, Mr Lindqvist and Mr Gahrton

END OF VOTING TIME

16. Topical and urgent debate (list of subjects selected)

The President informed Parliament that, in accordance with Rule 47(2), the list of subjects for the debate on topical and urgent subjects of major importance to be held on Thursday had been drawn up.

This list contained 42 motions for resolutions grouped together as follows:

I. ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES

B4-582/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-596/96 by the ARE Group
 B4-602/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-613/96 by the UPE Group
 B4-629/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-646/96 by the V Group
 B4-656/96 by the PPE Group

II. FREE MOVEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

B4-597/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-603/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-617/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-652/96 by the PPE Group
 B4-660/96 by the V Group

III. HUMAN RIGHTS

Brazil

B4-586/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-605/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-623/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-638/96 by the V Group
 B4-657/96 by the PPE Group

Nigeria

B4-599/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-624/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-631/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-635/96 by the V Group

Burma

B4-588/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-608/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-630/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-642/96 by the V Group
 B4-648/96 by the PPE Group

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Freedom of expression in Albania and Belarus

B4-607/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-625/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-637/96 by the V Group
 B4-640/96 by the V Group
 B4-651/96 by the PPE Group

Tunisia

B4-606/96 by the GUE/NGL Group
 B4-621/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-647/96 by the V Group

IV. CAMBODIA

B4-598/96 by the ELDR Group
 B4-612/96 by the UPE Group
 B4-627/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-644/96 by the V Group
 B4-653/96 by the PPE Group

V. LIBERIA

B4-632/96 by the PPE Group
 B4-633/96 by the PSE Group
 B4-634/96 by the ARE Group

In accordance with Rule 47(3), the overall speaking time for this debate had been allocated as follows, subject to modification of the list:

For one of the authors:	1 minute
Members:	60 minutes in total

In accordance with Rule 47(2), second subparagraph, any objections to this list, which would have to be tabled and justified in writing by a political group or at least 29 Members, had to be tabled by 8 p.m. that evening. The vote on these objections would be taken without debate at the beginning of the next day's sitting.

(The sitting was suspended at 12.55 p.m. and resumed at 3 p.m.)

IN THE CHAIR: Mr VERDE I ALDEA

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mr de Villiers, who referred to the remarks by Mrs Izquierdo Rojo and Mr Pasty (after Item 8) and condemned the French Government's position which was preventing General Aoun from accepting the European Parliament's invitation (the President noted these remarks) and Mrs Izquierdo Rojo (the President cut her off).

17. Telecommunications *I (debate)**

The next item was a joint debate on three reports drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy.

Mr W.G. van Velzen introduced his report on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive on a common framework for general authorizations and individual licences in the field of telecommunications services (COM(95)0545 – C4-0089/96 – 95/0282(COD)) (A4-0142/96).

Mr Herman introduced his report on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Council Directives 90/387/EEC and 92/44/EEC for the purpose of adaptation to a competitive environment in telecommunications (COM(95)0543 – C4-0001/96 – 95/0280(COD)) (A4-0144/96).

Mr Cassidy introduced his report on the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the future development of the market in directories and other telecommunications information services in a competitive environment (COM(95)0431 – C4-0454/95) (A4-0141/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Read, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Spindelegger, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Malerba, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Lindqvist, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Hautala, on behalf of the V Group, Mrs Ewing, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs de Rose, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Schreiner, Non-attached Member, Mr Wibe, Mr Gallagher, Mr Wolf and Mr Bangemann, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 16.

18. SAB 1/96 – 1997 estimates – 1997 preliminary draft budget (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on two reports drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgets and on the presentation of the preliminary draft budget for the financial year 1997.

The President announced that, following a technical problem which had affected the distribution of the documents, the deadline for tabling amendments to the Miranda and Fabra Vallés reports would be postponed to 10 a.m. the following day.

Mr Fabra Vallés introduced:

– his report on the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the European Parliament and the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the Ombudsman for the 1997 financial year (A4-0162/96)

– the report drawn up by Mr Miranda on Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure and the Ombudsman's estimates of revenue and expenditure with a view to a supplementary and amending budget for the financial year 1996 (A4-0164/96).

Mr Liikanen, Member of the Commission, presented the preliminary draft budget for the 1997 financial year.

The following spoke: Mr Dankert, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Elles, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Crowley, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Brinkhorst, on behalf of the ELDR Group, and Mrs Stenius-Kaukonen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group.

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IN THE CHAIR: Mr David W. MARTIN

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mrs Müller, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Dell'Alba, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Fabre-Aubrespy, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Le Gallou, Non-attached Member, Mr Samland, chairman of the Committee on Budgets, Mr Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, who also spoke in his capacity as member of the Bureau, Mr Olli I. Rehn, Mr Van der Waal, Mr Bösch, Mr Bardong, Quaestor, Mrs Gredler, Mr Schreiner, Mr Wynn, Mr Kristoffersen, Mr Howitt and Mr Liikanen.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 7.

19. Natural mineral waters ***II (debate)

Mr Florenz introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Council Directive 80/77/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the exploitation and marketing of natural mineral waters (C4-0060/96 — 94/0235(COD)) (A4-0116/96).

The following spoke: Mr Garosci, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Breyer, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Macartney, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mrs Jackson, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Apolinário and Mr Bangemann, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 10.

IN THE CHAIR: Sir Jack STEWART-CLARK

Vice-President

20. Question Time (questions to the Commission)

Parliament considered a number of questions to the Commission (B4-0441/96).

First part

Question 28 had been withdrawn by its author.

Question 29 by Mr Elles: Land Mine Clearance (B7-615 — 1996 Budget)

Mr Marín answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Elles and Mr Truscott.

Question 30 by Mr Nencini: Mine clearance in Bosnia

Mr Marín answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Nencini.

Question 31 by Mrs Kjer Hansen: The Commission's failure to use Article 171(2)

Mr Marín answered the question and supplementaries by Mrs Kjer Hansen and Mr Smith.

Second part

Question 32 had been withdrawn.

Question 33 by Mr Apolinário: EU-Egypt Association Agreement

Mr Marín answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Apolinário.

Question 34 by Mr Wibe: The EU and the new Palestinian State

Mr Marín answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Wibe.

Question 35 by Mr Vallvé: Follow-up to the agreements of the Euro-Mediterranean Conference

Mr Marín answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Vallvé

Question 36 by Mrs Izquierdo Rojo: Integrated development programmes in northern Morocco

Mr Marín answered the question and a supplementary by Mrs Izquierdo Rojo

Questions 37 and 38, which had not been taken due to lack of time, would be answered in writing.

Question 39 by Mrs Kestelijn-Sierens: Fisheries

Mrs Bonino, Member of the Commission, answered the question and supplementaries by Mrs Kestelijn-Sierens and Mr Teverson.

Question 40 by Mrs Fraga Estévez: Ban on the transshipment of catches by the Community fleet in Chilean ports

Mrs Bonino answered the question and a supplementary by Mrs Fraga Estévez.

Question 41 by Mr Arias Cañete: Restricting the use of drifting gillnets

Mrs Bonino answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Arias Cañete, Mrs Izquierdo Rojo and Mr Fraga Estévez.

Questions 42 to 46 which had not been taken due to lack of time, would be answered in writing.

Question 47 by Mrs Eriksson: The construction of the Öresund Bridge

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Mrs Bjerregaard, Member of the Commission, answered the question and supplementaries by Mrs Eriksson and Mr Krarup.

Question 48 by Mr Smith: Transportation of high level waste

Mrs Bjerregaard answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Smith.

Question 49 by Mrs Lindholm: Seal hunting

Mrs Bjerregaard answered the question and a supplementary by Mrs Lindholm.

Question 50 by Mr McMahon: Infringement procedure A92/4132 (Pilmuir Quarry)

Mrs Bjerregaard answered the question and supplementaries by Mr McMahon, Mr Howitt and Mr Bowe.

Questions 51 to 106 which had not been taken due to lack of time would receive written answers.

The President closed Question Time to the Commission.

(The sitting was suspended at 7.25 p.m. and resumed at 9 p.m.)

IN THE CHAIR: Mr GUTIÉRREZ DÍAZ

Vice-President

Mr De Vries asked for a Council statement following the British Prime Minister's remarks to the House of Commons that afternoon which he felt were unprecedented and constituted nothing less than blackmail; he said that Mr Major had threatened to block proceedings in the IGC if decisions taken at Council meetings concerning BSE were not to the satisfaction of the UK Government (the President noted his request which he promised to forward to the President of Parliament).

21. Flavouring substances in foodstuffs *II (debate)**

Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Regulation laying down a Community procedure for flavouring substances used or intended for use in foodstuffs (C4-0059/96 – 00/0478(COD)) (A4-0143/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Schleicher, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mrs Dybkjær, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Breyer, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Bangemann, Member of the Commission, Mrs Roth-Behrendt, who put a question to the Commission which Mr Bangemann answered, Mrs Roth-Behrendt, on Mr Bangemann's remarks, Mrs Breyer and Mr Bangemann.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 11.

22. Ambient air quality **II (debate)

Mr Papayannakis introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Directive on ambient air quality (C4-0061/96 – 94/0106(SYN)) (A4-0155/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Pollack, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Valverde López, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Olsson, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Lannoye, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Blokland, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mrs Ryyänen and Mrs Bjerregaard, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 12.

23. Landfill of waste **II (debate)

Mr Bowe introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive on the landfill of waste (C4-0067/96 – 00/0335(SYN)) (A4-0150/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Graenitz, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Florenz, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Chesa, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Eisma, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Papayannakis, GUE/NGL Group, Mrs McKenna, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Mr Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Howitt, Mr Trakatellis, Mr Crowley, Mrs González Álvarez, Mr Valverde López, Mrs Jackson, Mr Bowe, rapporteur, Mrs Bjerregaard, Member of the Commission, Mr Florenz, who asked the Council to answer the questions put to it, Mr Eisma, Mrs McKenna, Mr Bowe, all with questions to the Commission which Mrs Bjerregaard answered, Mr Eisma, Mr Florenz who repeated his request to the Council, and Mrs Jackson.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 22.5.1996, Part I, Item 13.

24. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting of Wednesday 22 May 1996:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3 to 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 12 midnight

9 to 9.15 a.m.

– topical and urgent debate (objections)

9.15 a.m. to 12 noon

– Commission statement on Member States' excessive deficits

– Bowe recommendation for second reading on pollution prevention and control **II

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- Bowe recommendation for second reading on disposal of PCB/PCT **II
- joint debate on Bontempi and Theato reports on protection of financial interests *

12 noon

- votes

3 to 5.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 12 midnight

- Santini report on farm prices *
- Dankert report on 1994 budget discharge

- Skinner report on health and safety at work *
- Papakyriazis report on Commission activities in employment *
- Mezzaroma report on 'Poverty 3'
- Morris report on European Centre for Industrial Relations

5.30 to 7 p.m.

- Question Time to the Council

(The sitting closed at 11.20 p.m.)

Enrico VINCI
Secretary-General

Nicole PERY
Vice-President

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PART II

Texts adopted by the European Parliament

1. Trans-European energy networks *III**

A4-0153/96

Decision on the joint text approved by the Conciliation Committee for a European Parliament and Council Decision laying down a series of guidelines for trans-European energy networks (C4-0206/96 – 94/0009(COD))

(Codecision procedure: third reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the joint text approved by the Conciliation Committee and the declarations by the Council and European Parliament and by the Commission (C4-0206/96 – 94/0009(COD)),
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽¹⁾ on the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(93)0685 ⁽²⁾,
- having regard to its decision on the common position ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to the Commission's opinion on Parliament's amendments to the common position (C4-0539/95),
- having regard to Article 189b(5) of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 77(2) of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of its delegation to the Conciliation Committee (A4-0153/96),

1. Approves the joint text and the declarations annexed to this decision;
2. Instructs its President to sign the act with the President of the Council, pursuant to Article 191(1) of the EC Treaty;
3. Instructs its Secretary-General duly to sign the act and, in agreement with the Secretary-General of the Council, to have it published in the Official Journal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 151, 19.6.1995, p. 228.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 72, 10.3.1994, p. 10.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 308, 20.11.1995, p. 113.

ANNEX

Declaration by the Council and the European Parliament

The European Parliament and the Council acknowledge that the development and integration of natural gas networks in all Member States is in the interest of the Union. Within the TEN Programme special attention is to be given to all areas in the Community where this infrastructure is less developed. One such area is northern Europe, where further development of the gas networks would create possibilities for substantial growth of gas markets in the Nordic countries and enhanced energy security and environmental quality in the Union as a whole.

The European Parliament and the Council therefore take note with satisfaction of the intention of the Member States concerned to submit project proposals as soon as those have reached maturity, in order to identify projects of common interest.

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Declaration by the Commission

The Commission declares that, pursuant to Article 6, it will submit a draft decision to the committee defining the project specifications on the basis of the Annex to the common position.

2. Humanitarian aid **II

A4-0125/96

Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation concerning humanitarian aid (C4-0098/96 – 95/0119(SYN))

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0098/96 – 95/0119(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽²⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council (COM(95)0201) ⁽³⁾,
 - having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(95)0721 ⁽⁴⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
 - having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (A4-0125/96),
1. Amends the common position as follows;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission.

COMMON POSITION
OF THE COUNCILAMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 1)

Article 5, second paragraph (new)

The operations referred to in this Regulation shall be exempt from tax, levies and customs duty.

(Amendment 3)

Article 19, fourth paragraph a (new)

The Commission shall hold an annual information meeting with organizations involved in EC humanitarian aid under association contracts, in order to study joint operational strategies and monitor and assess the results of the operations carried out jointly.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 87, 25.3.1996, p. 46.⁽²⁾ OJ C 339, 18.12.1995, p. 54.⁽³⁾ OJ C 180, 14.7.1995, p. 6.⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 58, 28.2.1996, p. 8.

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3. Food aid policy **II

A4-0126/96

Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation on food aid policy and food aid management and special operations in support of food security (C4-0097/96 – 95/0160(SYN))

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0097/96 – 95/0160(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽²⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council (COM(95)0283) ⁽³⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (A4-0126/96),

1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission.

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(Amendment 1)

*Recital 1*Whereas food aid *is* an important aspect of the community's development cooperation policy;Whereas food aid **remains as of now** an important aspect of the Community's development cooperation policy;

(Amendment 2)

Recital 2

Whereas food aid must be integrated into the developing countries' policies for the improvement of their food security, in particular by the establishment of food strategies;

Whereas food aid must be integrated into the developing countries' policies for the improvement of their food security, in particular by the establishment of food strategies **that are geared to alleviating poverty with the ultimate objective of making food aid superfluous;**

(Amendment 3)

*Recital 3*Whereas the European Community and its Member States closely coordinate their development cooperation policies *and consult one another on their* food aid programmes; whereas the Community, with its Member States, is a party to certain international agreements in this domain, and in particular the Food Aid Convention;Whereas the European Community and its Member States closely coordinate their development cooperation policies **in relation to** food aid programmes **and special operations in support of food security;** whereas the Community, with its Member States, is a party to certain international agreements in this domain, and in particular the Food Aid Convention;⁽¹⁾ OJ C 87, 25.3.1996, p. 34.⁽²⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, p. 431.⁽³⁾ OJ C 253, 29.9.1995, p. 10.

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(Amendment 4)

Recital 6

Whereas food aid and operations in support of food security are key features of Community development cooperation policy and must be taken into account as objectives in all Community policies likely to affect the developing countries;

Whereas food aid and operations in support of food security are key features of Community development cooperation policy and must be taken into account as objectives in all Community policies likely to affect the developing countries, **in particular with respect to economic reform and structural adjustment;**

(Amendment 5)

Recital 6a (new)

Whereas, given the different responsibilities of men and women in relation to household food security, the different roles played by women and men should be considered systematically when programmes aimed at ensuring food security are prepared;

(Amendment 6)

Recital 6b (new)

Whereas it is important to raise the level of participation of women and communities in the drive to ensure food security at national, regional, local and household level;

(Amendment 7)

Recital 8

Whereas the food-aid instrument is a key component of the Community's policy on preventing or helping in crisis situations in the developing countries; whereas account should be taken in its implementation of *this fundamental role as a factor for social and political stabilization;*

Whereas the food-aid instrument is a key component of the Community's policy on preventing or helping in crisis situations in the developing countries; whereas account should be taken in its implementation of **the social and political implications it might have;**

(Amendment 8)

Recital 13

Whereas the Community's support for the developing countries' efforts to achieve food security could be enhanced by greater flexibility in food aid, granting financial support for operations concerning food security, and in particular the development of farming and food crops, as an alternative to food aid in certain circumstances;

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(Amendment 9)

Recital 14

Whereas the Community can assist those in need in rural and urban areas in the developing countries by helping finance operations in support of food security through the purchase of food products, seed, agricultural implements and inputs, and through storage programmes, early-warning systems, mobilization, supervision and technical and financial assistance;

Whereas the Community can assist those in need in rural and urban areas in the developing countries by helping finance operations in support of food security through the purchase of food products, seed, agricultural implements and inputs **and other means of production**, and through storage programmes, early-warning systems, mobilization, supervision and technical and financial assistance;

(Amendment 10)

Recital 14a (new)

Whereas regional approaches to food security, including triangular operations in the area of food aid and local purchasing operations, should be further reinforced and supported so as to take advantage of natural complementarity between countries that belong to the same region; whereas food security policies should have a regional dimension to promote regional food trade and integration;

(Amendment 11)

Recital 14b (new)

Whereas, in view of the inefficiency, costs and environmental impact involved in hauling large quantities of food around the world, preference should be given to local purchases where this is possible;

(Amendment 13)

Recital 19

Whereas, in order to facilitate the application of certain of the measures envisaged, provision should be made for close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission within a Food *Aid* Committee;

Whereas, in order to facilitate the application of certain of the measures envisaged **and in order to attune to the food security policy of the recipient country**, provision should be made for close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission within a Food **Security** Committee;

(Amendment 14)

Article 1(1a) (new)

1a. Short-term food aid operations in disaster areas shall be carried out under the humanitarian aid Regulation and shall not fall within the scope of this Regulation. In the case of major crises all instruments of Community aid policy shall intervene, acting in close cooperation to assist the populations affected.

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(Amendment 15)

Article 1(3), first and second indents

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — to promote food security <i>at household, local, national and regional levels</i>; — to raise the standard of nutrition of the recipient population; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — to promote food security targeted on combating poverty in favour of the peoples of developing countries and regions; — to raise the standard of nutrition of the recipient population and promote their access to balanced nutrition; — to improve supplies of drinking water to local peoples; |
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(Amendment 41)

Article 1(3), sixth and seventh indents

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — <i>reduce</i> their dependence on food aid; — encourage them to be independent in food, <i>either by increasing production, or by enhancing and increasing purchasing power</i>; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — to encourage them to be independent in food with the objective of reducing their dependence on food imports; |
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(Amendment 16)

Article 2(2), introduction and first to third indents

2. Food aid shall *primarily* be allocated on the basis of an objective evaluation of the real needs justifying such aid, *with economic considerations also being taken into account*. To that end, consideration shall be given to the following criteria, without excluding other relevant considerations:

- food shortages;
- *per capita income and the existence of particularly poor population groups*;
- *social indicators of the welfare of the population in question*;

2. Food aid shall **only** be allocated on the basis of an objective evaluation of the real needs justifying such aid, **where such operations appear the only appropriate way of enhancing the food security of groups without the ways and means of coping with a food shortfall themselves**. To that end, consideration shall be given to the following criteria, without excluding other relevant considerations:

- **fundamental** food shortages;
- **nutritional status measured by indicators of human and nutritional development such as infant mortality rates, average weight at birth, anaemia rate among women, life expectancy, population with access to safe water and other nutritional data**;

(Amendment 17)

Article 2(3)

3. The granting of food aid shall, where necessary, be conditional on the implementation of short-term, multiannual development projects, sectoral operations or development programmes, and as a priority those which promote sustainable long-term food production in the recipient countries within the framework of a food policy and strategy. Where appropriate, this aid may take the form of a direct contribution to the implementation of such projects, operations or programmes. Where Community aid is intended for sale, such complementarity must be ensured by the use of counterpart funds for

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purposes agreed by the Community and the recipient country. Where aid is provided as backing for a development programme spread over a number of years, it may be supplied on a multiannual basis linked to the programme in question. Besides the allocation of basic foodsuffs, aid may be used for the supply of seed, fertilizer, tools, other inputs and commodities, the creation of reserves, technical and financial assistance and awareness and training schemes.

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(Amendment 18)

Article 3, third paragraph

The purpose of these operations shall be to support, using the resources available, the framing and execution of a food strategy or other measures fostering the food security of the *countries* concerned and to encourage them to reduce their food dependency and their dependence on food aid, especially in the case of low-income countries with serious food shortages. The operations must help to improve the living standards of the poorest people in the countries concerned.

The purpose of these operations shall be to support, using the resources available, the framing and execution of a food strategy or other measures fostering the food security of the **population** concerned and to encourage them to reduce their food dependency and their dependence on food aid, especially in the case of low-income countries with serious food shortages. The operations must help to improve the living standards of the poorest people in the countries concerned.

(Amendment 19)

Article 4

A developing country eligible for Community food aid operations under this Regulation may receive part or all of the food aid that has been — or may be — allocated to *it* in the form of operations in support of food security, with particular account being taken of trends in production, consumption and reserves in that country, the food situation of its inhabitants and the food aid granted by other donors.

A developing country **and international or non-governmental organizations** eligible for Community food aid operations under this Regulation may receive part or all of the food aid that has been — or may be — allocated to **them** in the form of operations in support of food security, with particular account being taken of trends in production, consumption and reserves in that country, the food situation of its inhabitants and the food aid granted by other donors.

(Amendment 20)

Article 5, introduction

Operations in support of food security shall take the form of technical and financial assistance aimed, in accordance with the objectives laid down in Article 1, at improving food security by helping finance, inter alia:

Operations in support of food security shall take the form of technical and financial assistance aimed, in accordance with the objectives laid down in Article 1, at improving **long-term sustainable** food security by helping finance, inter alia:

(Amendment 21)

Article 5, second to eighth indents

- rural credit support schemes,
- storage schemes at the appropriate level,

- rural credit support schemes, **with particular focus on women,**
- storage schemes at the appropriate level,
- **measures to supply drinking water to the populations,**

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – operations <i>concerning</i> the marketing, transport, distribution or processing of agricultural and food products, – <i>measures in support of the private sector for commercial development at national, regional and international level,</i> – applied research and field training, – projects to develop the production of food crops, – flanking, awareness, technical assistance and field training operations, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – operations in support of those concerned with the marketing, transport, distribution or processing of agricultural and food products, – applied research and field training, – projects to develop the environmentally sustainable production of food crops, – flanking, awareness, technical assistance and field training operations, in particular for women and producer organizations, – projects to produce fertilizers from raw materials and primary products in recipient countries, – support for local food aid structures, including field training,

(Amendment 22)

Article 6, second paragraph

Such operations should *take account of* other Community aid instruments, including the use of counterpart funds generated by the sale of food aid, and be compatible with Community development policy.

Such operations should **be consistent with** other Community **development** aid instruments, including the use of counterpart funds generated by the sale of food aid, and be compatible with Community development policy.

(Amendment 23)

Article 8, first indent

- early-warning systems and systems for gathering data on trends in harvests, stocks and markets, *and in nutritional and vulnerability levels* with a view to improving understanding of the food situation in the countries concerned,

- early-warning systems and systems for gathering data on trends in harvests, stocks and markets, **household nutrition and the vulnerability of the population** with a view to improving understanding of the food situation in the countries concerned,

(Amendment 24)

Article 9(2)(a)

- (a) be non-profit-making autonomous organizations in a Member State of the European Community under the laws in force in that Member State;

- (a) **in the case of European non-governmental organizations,** be non-profit-making autonomous organizations in a Member State of the European Community under the laws in force in that Member State;

(Amendment 25)

Article 11(1)

1. Products shall be mobilized on the Community market, in the recipient country or in *one of the developing countries* (listed in the Annex) *if possible one* belonging to the same geographical region as the recipient country.

1. Products shall **in the first instance** be mobilized in the recipient country or in **a developing country** belonging to the same geographical region as the recipient country. **If this is impossible, aid shall be mobilized in another developing country** listed in the Annex **to this Regulation or, failing that, on the Community market.**

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(Amendment 26)

Article 11(3)

3. Food products available on the internal market *may* be mobilized on the market of a developing country, if the economic efficiency of doing so compares favourably with that of mobilizing products on the European market.

3. Food products available on the internal market **shall** be mobilized on the market of a developing country, if the economic efficiency of doing so compares favourably with that of mobilizing products on the European market **or if such mobilization ensures greater effectiveness of the food aid operation or greater effectiveness in promoting food security in the country of purchase.**

(Amendment 27)

Article 11(4)

4. Where food is purchased in the recipient country or in a developing country, steps must be taken to ensure that such purchases threaten neither to disrupt the market of the country concerned or of any other developing countries in the same region nor to affect adversely the supply of food to their inhabitants. Such purchases shall be integrated as thoroughly as possible into the implementation of Community development policy towards these countries, particularly with regard to the promotion of food security in the country concerned or at regional level.

4. Where food is purchased **or sold** in the recipient country or in a developing country, steps must be taken to ensure that such purchases threaten neither to disrupt the market of the country concerned or of any other developing countries in the same region nor to affect adversely **local food production or** the supply of food to their inhabitants. Such purchases **or sales** shall be integrated as thoroughly as possible into the implementation of Community development policy towards these countries, particularly with regard to the promotion of food security in the country concerned or at regional level.

(Amendment 28)

Article 12, second paragraph

In such cases, the Community contribution may take the form of a foreign-currency facility to be made available to private-sector operators in the country concerned, subject to the operation being part of a *food-security policy* (including the strategy on the importation of basic foodstuffs) *consistent with the economic policy in question.*

In such cases, the Community contribution may take the form of a foreign-currency facility to be made available to private-sector operators in the country concerned, subject to the operation being part of a **socio-economic and agricultural policy**, (including the strategy on the importation of basic foodstuffs) **the objective of which is the alleviation of poverty. Recipients shall be required to provide proof of proper use of funds made available. Priority shall be given to small and medium scale private sector operators in order to ensure the complementarity of the operations. The Commission, insofar as its implementing powers are concerned, may decide positive discrimination measures in favour of the small and medium scale private sector operators.**

(Amendment 29)

Article 15, fourth paragraph

Any counterpart funds shall be used in accordance with the objectives laid down in this Regulation and managed in agreement with the Commission.

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(Amendment 30)

Article 17, first paragraph

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natural and legal persons in the European *Community* and the recipient countries. It may be extended by the Commission to operations under Article 1(2) to include natural and legal persons in the countries where the aid is mobilized.

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(Amendment 31)

Article 19(2)

2. Aid shall not be implemented unless the recipient complies with these conditions.

2. Aid shall not be implemented **in favour of recipient countries or international or non-governmental organizations** unless the recipient complies with these conditions.

(Amendment 32)

Article 20, second paragraph a(new)

The Commission shall ensure the necessary harmonization between its different directorates-general and departments in order to ensure compatibility between operations in the field of food aid and food security and in other fields, in particular the common agricultural policy.

(Amendment 33)

Article 21

1. The Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission and after consulting the European Parliament, shall *determine the Community share of the overall amount of cereals aid laid down in the Food Aid Convention as the total contribution of both the Community and its Member States.*

In the area of food aid, the Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission and after consulting the European Parliament, shall:

2. *The Commission shall coordinate the operations of the Community and the Member States as regards the supply of cereals aid under the Food Aid Convention and shall ensure that the total contribution by the Community and its Member States is at least as high as the quantities provided for in the said Convention.*

- **allocate the cereals aid laid down in the Food Aid Convention between measures by the Community and by individual Member States;**
- **allocate the cereals operations by the different Member States under the Food Aid Convention among the Member States.**

(Amendment 34)

Article 22, third indent

- determine each recipient's share, in terms of quantity and cost, of the products *which may be mobilized, within the budget limit for each product;*

- determine each recipient's share, in terms of quantity and cost, of the products;

(Amendment 35)

Article 23, first indent

- granting food aid or aid for an *alternative* operation and laying down the conditions for the supply of that aid,

- granting food aid or aid for an operation **in support of food security** and laying down the conditions for the supply of that aid,

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(Amendment 36)

Article 26(2)

2. The Committee shall examine the long-term implications of any proposal to commit funds for food security at household, local, national and regional level in the recipient countries, bearing in mind the principles laid down in Article 1. It shall also analyze and monitor food-security policies which are in receipt of Community aid and examine proposals for joint initiatives.

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(Amendment 37)

Article 28(1), first subparagraph

1. In order to guarantee the principle of complementarity referred to in the Treaty and enhance the effectiveness and consistency of the Community and national food-aid provisions and operations in support of food security, the Commission shall seek to ensure that its own activities are as closely coordinated as possible with those of the Member States, both at decision-making level and on the ground, and may take any appropriate initiative in pursuit of this end.

1. In order to guarantee the principle of complementarity referred to in the Treaty and enhance the effectiveness and consistency of the Community and national food-aid provisions and operations in support of food security, the Commission shall seek to ensure that its own activities are as closely coordinated as possible with those of the Member States **and with other EU policies**, both at decision-making level and on the ground, and may take any appropriate initiative in pursuit of this end.

(Amendment 38)

Article 28(1), second subparagraph

To that end, Member States shall notify the Commission of their national food-aid operations. The Commission, acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 27, shall stipulate how notification of national operations is to be effected.

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(Amendment 39)

Article 30, first paragraph

The Commission shall undertake regular evaluations of significant food-aid operations to establish whether the objectives laid down in the appraisal of those operations have been achieved and to provide guidelines for improving the effectiveness of future operations. It shall inform the committee periodically on the evaluation programmes.

The Commission shall undertake regular evaluations of significant food-aid operations to establish whether the objectives laid down in the appraisal of those operations have been achieved and to provide guidelines for improving the effectiveness of future operations. It shall inform the committee periodically **and the European Parliament at least once per year** on the evaluation programmes.

(Amendment 40)

Article 30, second paragraph a (new)

The Commission shall also undertake evaluations on the complementarity of food aid and food security operations with other EU policies.

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4. Rehabilitation in developing countries **II**A4-0136/96****Decision on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation on rehabilitation and reconstruction operations in developing countries (C4-0099/96 – 95/0165(SYN))**

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0099/96 – 94/0165(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to its opinions at first reading ⁽²⁾ on the Commission proposals to the Council, COM(95)0291 ⁽³⁾ and COM(95)0175,
 - having regard to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
 - having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (A4-0136/96),
1. Amends the common position as follows;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

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(Amendment 1)

Recital 3

Whereas the European Parliament emphasized the scale of the developing countries' need for rehabilitation aid and proposed the establishment of a specific financial framework with considerable financial resources for that purpose in the general budget of the European Communities;

Whereas the European Parliament, **in its resolution of 16 November 1993** ⁽¹⁾, emphasized the scale of the developing countries' need for rehabilitation aid and proposed the establishment of a specific financial framework with considerable financial resources for that purpose in the general budget of the European Communities;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 329, 6.12.1993, p. 77.

(Amendment 2)

Recital 3a (new)

Whereas the European Parliament took the initiative in 1986 of establishing an item in the budget aiming to provide support to the countries in southern Africa which were affected by the deliberate destabilisation orchestrated by the South African apartheid regime; whereas such aid was to be targeted to war orphans and other children, and subsequently to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in line with the recommendations of the Oslo Conference of August 1988, organized by the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 87, 25.3.1996, p. 29.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, pp. 445 and 449.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 235, 9.9.1995, p. 11.

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(Amendment 3)

Recital 4a (new)

Whereas, furthermore, Parliament noted that high priority needed to be accorded to the speed and efficiency of aid and that food security and the restoration of basic social facilities needed to be treated as matters of the utmost importance;

(Amendment 4)

Article 1(1)

1. The Community shall carry out rehabilitation and reconstruction operations in the developing countries referred to in paragraph 2 which have suffered serious damage through war, civil disorder or natural disaster with priority being given to the least developed among them. Operations of limited duration shall be designed to help re-establish a working economy and the institutional capacities needed to restore social and political stability to the countries concerned and meet the needs of the people affected. The operations must progressively take over from humanitarian action and pave the way for the resumption of medium-term and long-term development aid.

1. The Community shall carry out rehabilitation and reconstruction operations in the developing countries or regions referred to in paragraph 2 which have suffered serious damage through war, civil disorder or natural disaster with priority being given to the least developed among them. Operations of limited duration, **which must commence at the earliest possible stage**, shall be designed to help re-establish a **stable and environmentally compatible** working economy and the institutional capacities needed to restore social, **cultural** and political stability to the countries concerned and meet the needs of the people affected. The operations must progressively take over from humanitarian action and pave the way for the resumption of medium-term and long-term development aid. **They must in particular permit refugees, displaced persons and demobilized troops to return home and help the entire population resume normal civilian life in their countries and regions of origin.**

(Amendment 5)

Article 2(2)

2. The priorities for operations under this Regulation shall be: the relaunch of production on a lasting basis, the physical and operational rehabilitation of basic infrastructure, including mine clearance, *social reintegration* and the restoration of the institutional capacities needed in the rehabilitation period, especially at local level.

2. The priorities for operations under this Regulation shall be: the relaunch of production on a lasting basis, the physical and operational rehabilitation of basic infrastructure, including mine clearance, **the reintegration into society of refugees, displaced persons, disabled persons and demobilized troops, training and education to counter the effects of internal conflict and destabilization operations**, and the restoration of the institutional capacities needed in the rehabilitation period, especially at local level. **Resources may also be used to encourage and assist the development of economic activity, particularly through the creation of SMEs, and by promoting regional economic integration.**

(Amendment 6)

Article 3

The cooperation partners eligible for financial support under this Regulation shall be regional and international organizations, non-governmental organizations, national, provincial

The cooperation partners eligible for financial support under this Regulation shall be regional and **specialized** international **aid** organizations and non-governmental organizations **which**,

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and local government departments and agencies, community-based organizations, institutes and public and private operators.

according to their varying expertise and capacities, can make a contribution to the operations referred to in Articles 1 and 2, national, provincial and local government departments and agencies, community-based organizations, institutes and public and private operators.

(Amendment 7)

Article 4(1)

1. The instruments to be employed in the course of the operations referred to in *Article 1* shall include studies, technical assistance, training or other services, supplies and works, along with audits and evaluation and monitoring missions.

1. The instruments to be employed in the course of the operations referred to in **Articles 1 and 2** include studies, technical assistance, training or other services, supplies and works, along with audits and evaluation and monitoring missions. **In this connection priority should be given to reinforcing national capacities, particularly through the training of staff and the restoration of basic physical, social and economic infrastructure with a view to sustainability.**

(Amendment 8)

Article 4(2)

2. Community financing may cover both investment, with the exception of the purchase of buildings, and recurring costs (including administrative, maintenance and operational costs), taking account of the fact that the project must aim to have the recurring costs taken over by the beneficiaries.

2. Community financing may cover both investment, with the exception of the purchase of buildings, and **essential** recurring costs **incurred in the lifetime of a project** (including administrative, maintenance and operational costs), taking account of the fact that the project must aim to have the recurring costs taken over by the beneficiaries.

(Amendment 9)

Article 4(3)

3. A financial contribution from the partners defined in Article 3 shall be sought for each cooperation operation. The contribution requested shall be within the means of the partners concerned and shall depend on the nature of the operation. In specific cases where the partner is an NGO or a community-based organization, a contribution in kind may be made.

3. A financial contribution from the partners defined in Article 3 shall be sought for each cooperation operation. The contribution requested shall be within the means of the partners concerned and shall depend on the nature of the operation. In specific cases where the partner is an NGO or a community-based organization, a contribution in kind may be made. **A financial contribution from local partners, in particular to operating costs, shall be sought as a priority in cases where a project is designed as a start-up for an ongoing activity, in order to ensure the sustainability of such projects after Community funding has ceased.**

(Amendment 10)

Article 4(6) and (7)

6. *In order to achieve the objectives of coherence and complementarity referred to in the Treaty and with the aim of guaranteeing optimal efficiency of the totality of these actions, the Commission will take all necessary coordination measures, notably:*

6. In order to reinforce coherence and complementarity between the actions financed by the Community, Member States and other donors, such as the UN agencies, the Commission shall take all the necessary measures to ensure consultation, both at institutional and ground levels.

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(a) *the establishment of a system for the systematic exchange and analysis of information on actions financed or for which financing is foreseen by the Community and the Member States;*

(b) *on-the-spot coordination of these actions by means of regular meetings and exchange of information between the representatives of the Commission and Member States in the beneficiary country.*

7. *The Commission, in conjunction with the Member States, may take any initiatives necessary for ensuring good coordination with the other providers of funds, in particular those forming part of the United Nations system.*

The Commission shall ensure proper coherence and continuity between its efforts in the fields of humanitarian aid, rehabilitation and development.

(Amendment 11)

Article 6(1)

1. The Commission shall appraise, decide and administer operations covered by this Regulation according to the budgetary *and other* procedures in force, and in particular those laid down in the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.

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(Amendment 12)

Article 6(5)

5. All financing agreements or contracts concluded under this Regulation shall provide for the Commission and the Court of Auditors to conduct on-the-spot checks according to the usual procedures *laid down by the Commission under the rules in force, and in particular those of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.*

5. All financing agreements or contracts concluded under this Regulation shall provide for the Commission and the Court of Auditors to conduct on-the-spot checks **and evaluation measures** according to the usual procedures.

(Amendment 13)

Article 6(6)

6. Where operations are the subject of financing agreements between the Community and the *host* countries, such agreements shall stipulate that the payment of taxes, duties or any other charges is not to be covered by the Community.

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(Amendment 14)

Article 6(7)

7. Participation in invitations to tender and the award of contracts shall be open on equal terms to natural and legal persons of the Member States and of the recipient country. It may be extended to other *developing* countries and, in exceptional cases which are fully justified, to third countries.

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Article 6(8)

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(Amendment 16)

Article 7

1. *The Commission shall be assisted by the relevant geographically determined committee.*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by an advisory committee made up of representatives from the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission, depending on the recipient country or region concerned, as follows:

(a) **for the ACP countries, the EDF Committee set up by Article 21 of Internal Agreement 91/401/EEC on the financing and administration of Community aid under the Fourth ACP-EEC Convention, adopted on 16 July 1990 by the representatives of the governments of the Member States meeting within the Council ⁽¹⁾;**

(b) **for the Mediterranean countries, the MED Committee set up by Article 6 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1762/92 on the implementation of the Protocols on financial and technical cooperation concluded by the Community with Mediterranean non-Member countries ⁽²⁾;**

(c) **for the Asian and Latin American countries, the ALA Committee set up by Article 15 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 443/92 on financial and technical assistance to, and economic cooperation with, the developing countries in Asia and Latin America ⁽³⁾.**

2. *The Commission representative shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft, within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148(2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the Committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The chairman shall not vote.*

The Commission shall adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee.

If the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall without delay submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, within one month after the referral of the matter to the Council, the latter has not acted, the proposal measures shall be adopted by the Commission.

2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft, within a time-limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter, if necessary by taking a vote.

The opinion shall be recorded in the minutes; in addition, each Member State shall have the right to ask to have its position recorded in the minutes.

The Commission shall take the utmost account of the opinion delivered by the committee. It shall inform the committee of the manner in which its opinion has been taken into account.

Meetings of the Committee set up under this Article shall be held in public and the full minutes transmitted for information, within ten working days of each meeting, to the relevant geographically determined committee and the Committee on Development and Cooperation of the European Parliament.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 229, 17.8.1991, p. 288.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 52, 27.2.1992, p. 1.

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Article 8, second and third paragraphs (new)

A representative from the Committee on Development and Cooperation of the European Parliament shall be present as an observer with the right to speak.

The Commission shall establish the general guidelines to be presented on the basis of consultations held with the authorities, partner organizations and beneficiaries in the countries receiving assistance.

(Amendment 18)

Article 9, second paragraph

The summary shall in particular *contain information about* those with whom contracts have been concluded.

The summary shall in particular **give details of** those with whom contracts have been concluded.

(Amendment 19)

Article 9, third paragraph a (new)

Where, pursuant to this Regulation, projects are funded in countries or regions for which funding for rehabilitation and reconstruction measures is available under the EDF or under specific Regulations, the annual report shall state the reasons why the decision has been made to opt for funding under this Regulation.

5. Return and export of cultural goods ***I/*

(a) A4-0110/96

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending the Annex to Council Directive 93/7/EEC on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State (COM(95)0479 – C4-0463/95 – 95/0254(COD))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending the Annex to Council Directive 93/7/EEC on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State (COM(95)0479 – C4-0463/95 – 95/0254(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(95)0479 – 94/0254(COD) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to Articles 189b(2) and 100a of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C4-0463/95),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 6, 11.1.1996, p. 15.

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- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media and the opinion of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights (A4-0110/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament, calls on the Council to notify Parliament and requests that the conciliation procedure be initiated;
 3. Points out that the Commission is required to submit to Parliament any modification it may intend to make to its proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

(b) **A4-0111/96**

Proposal for a Council Regulation amending the Annex to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3911/92 on the export of cultural goods (COM(95)0479 – C4-0558/95 – 95/0253(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending the Annex to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3911/92 on the export of cultural goods (COM(95)0479 – C4-0558/95 – 95/0253(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0479 – 95/0253(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 113 of the EC Treaty (C4-0558/95),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media and the opinion of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights (A4-0111/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 6, 11.1.1996, p. 14.

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6. Framework cooperation agreement with Southern Cone Common Market *

A4-0118/96

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Decision concerning the conclusion of the interregional framework cooperation agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Southern Cone Common Market and its member countries, of the other part (COM(95)0504 – C4-0130/96 – 95/0261(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal for a Council Decision, COM(95)0504 – 95/0261(CNS),
 - having regard to the interregional framework cooperation agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Southern Cone Common Market and its member countries, of the other part, initialled by the Commission (COM(95)0504),
 - having regard to Articles 113 and 130y of the EC Treaty,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 228(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty (C4-0130/96),
 - having regard to Rule 90(7) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinions of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy, the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, the Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy, the Committee on Transport and Tourism, the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the Committee on Fisheries (A4-0118/96),
1. Approves the conclusion of the framework agreement;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

7. Hooliganism

A4-0124/96

Resolution on hooliganism and the free movement of football supporters

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the motions for resolutions by:
 - (a) Mr David on the free movement of football supporters (B4-0184/94),
 - (b) Mr De Coene on a coordinated approach to combating hooliganism while respecting civil liberties (B4-0218/94),
 - (c) Mr Ligabue and Mr Mezzaroma on violence in football stadiums (B4-0503/95),
- having regard to Council Directive 64/221/EEC of 25 February 1964 on the coordination of special measures concerning the movement and residence of foreign nationals which are justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to the European Convention on Human Rights, and in particular Protocol No 4 concerning the rights to liberty of movement, to leave any country and to enter one's own country,

⁽¹⁾ OJ 56, 4.4.1964, p. 850.

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- having regard to the European Convention of 19 August 1985 on spectator violence and misbehaviour at sports events and in particular at football matches,
 - having regard to its resolution of 11 July 1985 on the measures needed to combat vandalism and violence in sport ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to its resolution of 22 January 1988 on vandalism and violence in sport ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to its resolutions of 10 October 1996 on the report of the Committee of Inquiry into Racism and Xenophobia ⁽³⁾,
 - having regard to the Commission communication to Parliament and the Council of 31 July 1991 on the European Community and sport (SEC(91)1438),
 - having regard to its resolution of 6 May 1994 on the European Community and sport ⁽⁴⁾,
 - having regard to Resolution (76) 41 of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe entitled 'A European Sport for All Charter',
 - having regard to the Recommendation for the exchange of information on the occasion of major events approved by the Council on 30 November 1994, and to the Recommendation on football hooliganism adopted by the Council on 19 March 1996,
 - having regard to Rule 148 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs and the opinion of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media (A4-0124/96),
- A. emphasizing the contribution that sport makes to the fostering of mutual respect and understanding between individuals and nations,
- B. concerned at the eruptions of violence that may occur at sports events, in particular at football matches both off and on the field,
- C. convinced that the violence that finds expression at sports events and football matches is often a symptom of a much more profound crisis in society which needs to be carefully studied,
- D. shocked at the racist demonstrations and attacks perpetrated on players who are black or Jewish or come from different national or ethnic backgrounds,
- E. concerned at the ways in which extremist organisations deliberately exploit violence connected with sport including the manipulation and infiltration of groups of hooligans,
- F. having regard to the importance of the mass media in preventing violence in sport and in promoting the sporting ideal, fair play and mutual respect,
- G. hoping for increased European Union cooperation to help control cross-frontier incidents of football-related violence and racism,
- H. whereas Article 3 of Directive 64/221/EEC mentioned above lays down that: 'Measures taken on the grounds of public policy or public security shall be based exclusively on the personal conduct of the individual concerned. Previous criminal convictions shall not in themselves constitute grounds for the taking of such measures.'
- I. whereas the victims of hooliganism are to be found among those living close to the stadiums, the inhabitants of the countries where matches are played, and also among the spectators themselves,
- J. whereas the victims of vandalism and violence by fans often suffer serious material and/or physical damage which also has serious psychological after-effects,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 229, 9.9.1985, p. 99.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 49, 22.2.1988, p. 168.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 284, 12.11.1990, p. 57.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 205, 25.7.1994, p. 486.

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- K. whereas the public authorities, sports organizations, national associations, clubs and players have differing but complementary responsibilities in the campaign against spectator violence and misbehaviour, and whereas it is therefore appropriate for them to combine their efforts,
- L. noting the fact that clubs have recourse to the practice of selling tickets exclusively to fans who sign up to travel with solo-agents designated by the club,
- M. whereas the vast majority of football supporters are peaceful individuals, and whereas their freedom of movement and adequate protection against violence should be fully guaranteed,
- N. having regard to the need to draw a distinction between peaceful supporters, potentially violent supporters and violent supporters (hooligans); whereas among the latter, persons committing offences of a racist, anti-Semitic or xenophobic nature should be distinguished from the rest,
- O. whereas a successful campaign against violence cannot ignore the deep-seated reasons for this violence and simply aim to cure the symptoms,
- P. applauding initiatives such as 'Kick Racism Out of Football' by the Professional Footballers Association/Equal Opportunities Commission,
- Q. whereas the implementation of certain pragmatic measures based on common standards should help to contain this phenomenon,
- R. having regard to the role played by the Eurathlon programme for improving understanding and a sense of common purpose between people in the Union through participation in sports events,
- S. whereas the holding of Euro '96 in England, the World Cup in France in 1998 and Euro 2000 in Belgium and the Netherlands will require the implementation of measures throughout the Union to prevent and counter hooliganism,

General points

- 1. Notes that involvement in sport, whether as a participant or spectator, is a significant social and cultural activity, and that sporting events are cultural events, access to which should be facilitated for all sections of society;
- 2. Notes that sport is a matter of great interest to millions of people within the European Union, and that therefore it should be given due attention in policy at both European and national levels;
- 3. Notes that there is a widespread problem of hooliganism and violence at and around football matches, particularly international fixtures, and believes that this is a cross-frontier problem which should be tackled at Community level;
- 4. Notes that the current international preventive measures have been taken on the basis of cooperation agreements between Member States in the absence of any international legal framework, and that this has resulted in complaints by Union citizens concerning restrictions on the free movement of persons and the lack of any means of opposition to such restrictions;
- 5. Expects that a policy on hooliganism which is both preventive and punitive will contain the phenomenon and reduce it to manageable proportions;
- 6. Congratulates the Council of Europe on the work which it has done in this area and in particular notes the important ongoing work of the Standing Committee of the European Convention on Spectator Violence and Misbehaviour at Sports Events and in particular at Football Matches;
- 7. Notes that the Council of Europe Convention on Spectator Violence at Football Matches is a highly relevant instrument; consequently urges those Member States that have not already done so to ratify it and apply in practice the measures set out in the Convention;

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8. Calls, therefore, on the public authorities, sports organizations and clubs to implement the measures laid down in the Convention and measures going beyond these, and to provide in particular for:
- stadiums to be designed so as to ensure spectator safety, with numerous separate exits, enabling security and emergency services to intervene,
 - rival supporter groups to be separated,
 - the sale of tickets to be controlled,
 - loudspeakers to be installed at stadiums to facilitate communication with spectators,
 - a ban on the introduction into stadiums of alcoholic drinks and items that are dangerous or likely to be used for acts of violence,
 - a ban on the introduction into stadiums of any symbols (on banners or streamers) of a racist or xenophobic nature, such as swastikas etc.,
 - installation of scanners at stadium entrances;
9. Takes the view that the absolute requirement to provide all-seater stadiums is excessive and that the installation of 'cages' is dangerous and degrading and may give rise to violence; takes the view, on the other hand, that women and children should be encouraged to attend sports events, with family enclosures being provided;
10. Notes that the current file system and the exchange of data has resulted in the detention or expulsion of innocent persons;

Social and preventive policy

11. Sees in the increase in the number of 'fan projects' an excellent means of preventing violence at sports events; encourages the development of such initiatives;
12. Supports, for example, initiatives such as, in the context of Euro '96, the organization of a European Fans Parliament by Philosophy Football;
13. Calls on the clubs, national associations, UEFA and FIFA to provide financial support at their respective levels for fan projects; calls on the Commission, for its part, to examine urgently the possibility of financing a limited number of fan projects from Community funds in connection with Euro '96 and the 1998 World Cup;
14. Calls on all clubs to ensure total transparency in their financial transactions and to devote part of their resources to the integration of supporters into the life of the club, in particular by involving them in important decisions;
15. Urges the Commission to take action against football clubs which practise the system of linking ticket sales to travel packages;
16. Considers that players should behave responsibly and that it is desirable for them to maintain close contacts with supporters' clubs and with supporters; believes that the players' attitude during matches can be a crucial factor; urges players accordingly to refrain from any violent or aggressive behaviour and openly to express their rejection of violence, racism, anti-Semitism and xenophobia, if necessary by refusing to play when violent, racist, xenophobic or anti-Semitic behaviour occurs;
17. Calls on the Commission, working in close collaboration with the Council of Europe, to introduce from 1997 – the European Year Against Racism – a European day of anti-racism and fair play in sport which should be marked throughout the Union by promotional activities in the media and which would be propagated mainly by famous sports personalities familiar to the European public;
18. Suggests that all supporters' clubs should appoint stewards from among their members to look after spectators and accompany groups of supporters to away matches;
19. Calls for cultural and tourist programmes to be organized when international matches are played so that visiting supporters may profit from their visit to the host country and learn something about it;
20. Expresses its support for associations which tackle violence and racism in stadiums;

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21. Repeats its proposal to award three separate annual prizes, to a team, a sporting individual and a supporters' club, for setting an example in their sense of fair play;
22. Suggests the promotion of measures (such as exchanges, meetings, etc.), designed to promote good relations between supporters of opposing clubs, and that the supporters themselves should devise strategies for eradicating violent behaviour;
23. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has launched a campaign, in conjunction with the Council of Europe, to promote fair play; calls for players and supporters' clubs to be closely involved in the campaign;
24. Calls on the media to participate in the promotion of respect for fair play in sport, to help promote positive sporting values, to combat aggressive and chauvinistic behaviour and to avoid any sensationalism in treating information on violence at sports events;
25. Recognizes the important role that education and work with young people has to play in the prevention of violence, especially racist violence, and in the promotion of tolerance; calls on those involved in education formally or informally to act upon this responsibility;

Free movement of persons

26. Takes the view that measures to restrict the free movement of persons must be directed exclusively at individuals whose past conduct, including previous convictions, suggests that they pose a genuine and serious threat to public safety;
27. Considers that the nationality of a supporter may not constitute a criterion on which access to sports events may be prohibited;
28. Considers that the staging of a match may under certain conditions justify internal frontier controls, provided they do not exceed what is strictly necessary to respond to a serious threat to public safety and to protect the rights and freedoms of others;
29. Believes that the development of policy measures in this area must be guided by the need to strike an appropriate balance between different sets of rights: the rights of all people, including football supporters, to free movement within the European Union; the rights of those who want to attend football matches in a safe and secure environment; and the rights of those who live near to stadiums;
30. Takes the view that restricting access to stadiums with a view to reducing the level of violence must be exercised according to common standards;
31. Deplores the fact that fundamental legal differences between Member States make it difficult to envisage the generalized application of restrictions on attendance at matches in other Member States by persons convicted of football-related offences;
32. Points out that only after a supporter has been convicted of an offence of violence or an offence connected with football can he/she legitimately be prevented from attending matches at home or abroad;

Police and legal measures

33. Calls on the Member States to apply or, where appropriate, adopt legislation providing for appropriate penalties for individuals found guilty of offences which include measures such as a ban on access to stadiums for a specific period;
34. Calls on the Member States to ensure that spectators who commit acts of violence or other reprehensible acts are identified and tried in accordance with the law in the country where the offence was committed and that the fundamental rights of the accused, such as the right to a proper defence, the use of interpreters if they do not know the language, etc., are respected;
35. Takes the view that police assistance must be provided by local police officers accompanied, in the case of international matches and, following the necessary consultation of and agreement with the appropriate authorities, by police officers from the home area of the team(s) playing away;

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36. Favours strengthening international police cooperation in order to counter violence in stadiums more effectively; considers that the exchange of information on supporters found guilty of acts of hooliganism must be carried out in compliance with the criteria laid down by the Council of Europe for the protection of data of a personal nature;
37. Calls on the authorities responsible to ensure that police forces receive adequate training based on proper crowd management and designed to deal with any outbreaks of violence;
38. Takes the view that the police escort which normally accompanies supporters should behave in a way that will not provoke outbreaks of violence;
39. Asks the appropriate clubs to take action to prevent groups of fans intimidating players and supporters;
40. Draws the attention of those involved and those in positions of responsibility to the racist, anti-Semitic, xenophobic and anti-social nature which manifestations of violence, physical or verbal, frequently assume; calls for them to show responsibility and commitment in dealing with the causes of such violence;
41. Is in favour of the imposition of penalties on clubs which openly tolerate the expression of violence and race hatred;
42. Deems unacceptable the practice whereby supporters at international matches who have committed no offence are arrested, held in custody or deported, solely on the grounds of their nationality or some other unjustified pretext;
43. Considers that rigorous security checks must be carried out at the entrance to and in the streets near stadiums so as to prevent individuals from entering the stadiums with dangerous articles or extremist, racist and xenophobic material such as pamphlets, banners, etc.;
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44. Hopes that, when the Treaty on European Union is revised, an article will be incorporated on countering racism, anti-Semitism and xenophobia;
45. Calls on the Commission to assemble and bring up to date data already available in the Member States relating to the problem of hooliganism as a multi-dimensional social phenomenon;
46. Calls on the Commission to report to Parliament annually on the impact of the action taken, the developing situation of violence in sport and any instances of connivance between football clubs and certain racist and extremist organizations;
47. Calls for extensive research to be undertaken into the origins of hooliganism, the role of extremist organizations among supporters and ways in which the media can have a positive influence in helping to prevent hooliganism-related violence in sport;
48. Congratulates the Sports Unit of DG X of the Commission on its work to date and recognizes the importance of the continuation of a separate budget line for sport;
49. Wishes to be informed by the Council and the K.4 Committee of the measures to be taken by the Member States to prevent football violence at the 1996 European Championships;
50. Would like to see the Council, in the context of the third pillar, address the issue of a convention on measures to combat football violence, with the concept of the 'high-risk' fan being defined, clear rules laid down for the setting up, gathering, treatment and exchange between Member States of information on Union citizens, with legal provisions being laid down with regard to information, supply and defence for any person subject to an exchange of data;
51. Considers that the campaign against violence in sport must be carried out with due regard for fundamental rights and freedoms and that the top priority must be to ensure that every effort is made to encourage a culture of non-violence amongst football fans;
52. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission and the governments of the Member States, the International Olympic Committee, UEFA and FIFA.
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The following signed:

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Garosci, Garriga Polledo, Gasòliba i Böhm, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Giansily, Gillis, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Girão Pereira, Glante, Glase, Goepel, Goerens, Görlach, Gollnisch, Gomolka, González Álvarez, González Triviño, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Graenitz, Graziani, Gredler, Green, Gröner, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Guigou, Guinebertière, Gutiérrez Díaz, von Habsburg, Hänsch, Hallam, Happort, Hardstaff, Harrison, Hatzidakis, Haug, Hautala, Hawlicek, Heinisch, Hendrick, Herman, Hermange, Hernandez Mollar, Herzog, Hlavac, Hoff, Holm, Hoppenstedt, Hory, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Hyland, Iivari, Imbeni, Iversen, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jackson, Jacob, Järvihahti, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jean-Pierre, Jensen Kirsten M., Jensen Lis, Jöns, Jouppila, Jové Peres, Jung, Junker, Kaklamanis, Katiforis, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kerr, Kestelijn-Sierens, Killilea, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kittelmann, Kjer Hansen, Klauf, Klironomos, Koch, Kofoed, Kokkola, Konečný, Konrad, Kouchner, Kranidiotis, Krarup, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kristoffersen, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Laignel, Lalumière, La Malfa, Lambraki, Lambrias, Lang Carl, Lange, Langen, Langenhagen, Lannoye, Larive, Laurila, Le Gallou, Lehne, Lenz, Leperre-Verrier, Le Rachinel, Liese, Ligabue, Lindeperg, Lindholm, Lindqvist, Linser, Löow, Lomas, Lucas Pires, Lüttge, Lukas, Lulling, Macartney, McCartin, McGowan, McIntosh, McKenna, McMahon, McMillan-Scott, McNally, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Malerba, Malone, Mamère, Mann Erika, Mann Thomas, Manzella, Marin, Marinho, Marinucci, Marsset Campos, Martens, Martin David W., Martin Philippe-Armand, Martinez, Mather, Mayer, Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Méndez de Vigo, Mendiluce Pereiro, Mendonça, Menrad, Metten, Mezzaroma, Miller, Miranda, Miranda de Lage, Mohamed Ali, Mombaur, Monfils, Moniz, Moorhouse, Morán López, Moreau, Morris, Moscovici, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Müller, Mulder, Murphy, Muscardini, Myller, Nassauer, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Neys-Uyttebroeck, Nicholson, Nordmann, Novo, Nußbaumer, Oddy, Olsson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Orlando, Paakkinen, Pack, Pailler, Palacio Vallelersundi, Panagopoulos, Papakyriazis, Papayannakis, Parigi, Parodi, Pasty, Peijs, Pelttari, Pérez Royo, Perry, Pery, Peter, Pettinari, Pex, Piecyk, Pimenta, Piquet, des Places, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Plumb, Podestà, Poettering, Poisson, Pollack, Pomés Ruiz, Pompidou, Pons Grau, Porto, Posselt, Pradier, Pronk, Provan, Puerta, van Putten, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Rauti, Read, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rehder, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli Ilmari, Ribeiro, Rinsche, Rocard, Rönnholm, Rosado Fernandes, de Rose, Roth, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Roubatis, Roving, Rübig, Rusanen, Ryynänen, Sainjon, Saint-Pierre, Sakellariou, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Samland, Sandbæk, Santini, Sanz Fernández, Sarlis, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Scapagnini, Schäfer, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlechter, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schnellhardt, Schreiner, Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schwaiger, Seal, Secchi, Seillier, Sierra González, Simpson, Sindal, Sisó Cruellas, Skinner, Smith, Soltwedel-Schäfer, Sonneveld, Sornosa Martínez, Souchet, Spaak, Speciale, Spencer, Spiers, Spindelegger, Stenius-Kaukonen, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Stirbois, Stockmann, Striby, Sturdy, Svensson, Tajani, Tamino, Tannert, Tapie, Tappin, Tatarella, Telkämper, Terrón i Cusí, Teverson, Theato, Theonas, Theorin, Thomas, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Titley, Todini, Toivonen, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Couto, Torres Marques, Trakatellis, Trautmann, Truscott, Tsatsos, Ullmann, Väyrynen, Valdivielso de Cué, Vallvé, Vandemeulebroucke, Vanhecke, Van Lancker, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vaz da Silva, Vecchi, van Velzen W.G., van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Verwaerde, Viceconte, Vieira, de Villiers, Vinci, Virgin, Voggenhuber, van der Waal, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Watson, Watts, Weber, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek, Willockx, Wilson, von Wogau, Wolf, Wynn, Zimmermann.

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ANNEX

Result of roll-call votes

(+) = For

(–) = Against

(O) = Abstention

1. Valdivielso de Cué report A4-0118/96

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ARE: Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Sainjon, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Blokland**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Bertens, Costa Neves, De Melo, Kofoed, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli, Spaak, Teverson, Vallvé, Väyrynen, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**GUE/NGL:** Bertinotti, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Marsset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Pailler, Papayannakis, Pettinari, Piquet, Sierra González, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson, Vinci**NI:** Jung, Linser, Lukas, Schreiner**PPE:** Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Casini Pierferdinando, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Colombo Svevo, Corrie, Decourrière, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Florenz, Fontaine, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Klaß, Koch, Konrad, Kristoffersen, Lambrias, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spencer, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau**PSE:** Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Caudron, Coates, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Hardstaff, Haug, Hawlicek, Hlavac, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Klironomos, Korkkola, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Laignel, Lambraki, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Löow, McGowan, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Moscovici, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Oddy, Paakkinen, Panagopoulos, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Piecyk, Pollack, van Putten, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Roubatis, Rönnholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Truscott, Tsatsos, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Weiler, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** d'Aboville, Andrews, Baggioni, Baldi, Boniperti, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Carrère d'Encausse, Danesin, De Luca, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Ligabue, Malerba, Parodi, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Viceconte, Vieira

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EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, de Rose, Souchet, Striby

NI: Dillen, Feret, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Vanhecke

UPE: Fontana

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, van Dijk, Gahrton, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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EDN: Bonde, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Sandbæk

ELDR: Cunha

GUE/NGL: Novo

V: Cohn-Bendit

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EDN: Bonde, Sandbæk

GUE/NGL: Bertinotti, Castellina, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Novo, Pailler, Pettinari, Stenius-Kaukonen, Vinci

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Caudron, Coates, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Hardstaff, Haug, Hawlicek, Hlavac, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnoek, Klironomos, Kokkola, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Laignel, Lambraki, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Moscovici, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Paakkinen, Panagopoulos, Pérez Royo, Pery, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Roubatis, Rönnholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tongue, Truscott, Tsatsos, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Weiler, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Castagnède, Dell'Alba, Ewing, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Macartney, Mamère, Pradier, Sainjon, Saint-Pierre, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Fabre-Aubrespy

ELDR: André-Léonard, Bertens, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Capucho, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Gasòliba i Böhm, Järvilahti, Kjer Hansen, Kofoed, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli, Teverson, Vallvé, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Svensson

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PSE: Marinucci

UPE: d'Aboville, Andrews, Baggioni, Baldi, Boniperti, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Carrère d'Encausse, Danesin, De Luca, Donnay, Fontana, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Ligabue, Malerba, Parodi, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Tajani, Todini, Viceconte, Vieira

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ELDR: Gredler

PPE: Graziani, Hoppenstedt

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EDN: Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, Jensen Lis, Krarup, des Places, Poisson, de Rose, Souchet, van der Waal

ELDR: Väyrynen

NI: Blot, Dillen, Feret, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Rachinel, Linser, Lukas, Schreiner, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoberos Trias de Bes, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Bardong, Baudis, Bébéar, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Burtone, Camisón Asensio, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Casini Pierferdinando, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Elles, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Florenz, Fontaine, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Hernandez Mollar, Jackson, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Klaß, Koch, Konrad, Kristoffersen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mather, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spencer, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Jensen Kirsten, Sindal

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EDN: Bonde, Sandbæk

ELDR: Capucho, Costa Neves, Cox, Dybkjær, Järvilahti, Kjer Hansen, Lindqvist, Nordmann, Olsson, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli, Ryynänen

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Svensson

PPE: Graziani, Heinisch, Hoppenstedt, Schierhuber

PSE: Fayot

Wednesday, 22 May 1996

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF WEDNESDAY, 22 MAY 1996

(96/C 166/03)

PART I

Proceedings of the sitting

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs PERY

*Vice-President**(The sitting opened at 9 a.m.)***1. Approval of Minutes***The following spoke:*

- Mr Dell'Alba, who asked why the President of Parliament had not made a speech at the 'Asparagus Festival' the previous evening to which Members were traditionally invited;
- Mr Fabre-Aubrespy, who referred to the previous day's exchanges concerning an invitation by the Mediterranean Intergroup to General Aoun, former Head of the Lebanese Government, to brief Parliament on the situation in Lebanon (Part I, Items 8 and 16) and asked the President to give an official explanation why a telephone link-up with General Aoun organized by the Intergroup had not been authorized; he also asked whether invitations sent out by Parliament intergroups were checked (the President noted his remarks);
- Mr De Vries, who referred to his request at the beginning of the previous day's night sitting for a Council statement on the UK Prime Minister's speech on the BSE crisis (Part I, after Item 20) and asked whether the Council had replied to the President's request for a statement on British attempts to block Union business;
- Mr Parigi, who said that he had received an anonymous tract full of threats and insults in the wake of his speech in the Chamber on 9 May during the debate on the European Year against Racism (Minutes of that sitting, Part I, Item 4), in which he had attacked the Northern League; he went on to refer to racist remarks which he claimed had been made by some of the League's leaders (the President cut him off);
- Mr Kellett-Bowman, who said that, as far as he was aware, the Minutes were not available in English;
- Mr Gutiérrez Díaz, who said that he had been in the Chair when Mr De Vries had made his request for a Council statement on the UK Prime Minister's speech and had immediately forwarded the request to the President of Parliament;

- Mr Tomlinson, on Mr De Vries' remarks;
- Mr McMahon, on the Commission reply to Question 50 during Question Time the previous evening (Part I, Item 20).

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

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* * **The following spoke:*

- Mrs Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, who referred to Mr De Vries' remarks and argued that it would be advisable to wait for the outcome of the Commission's meeting that day and the meeting of the Agriculture Council the following week before having a Council statement; she therefore proposed that the statement should be made at the sittings of 5 and 6 June 1996;
- Mrs Green, on behalf of the PSE Group, who seconded Mrs Oomen-Ruijten's proposal;
- Mrs Keppelhoff-Wiechert, who pointed out that Parliament should be accessible to citizens and protested at the refusal to allow a group of visitors to Parliament to occupy vacant seats reserved for the press in the gallery;
- Mr Fassa, who referred to Mr Parigi's remarks and said that the Northern League had always upheld the causes of autonomy and Europeanism and could not be accused of any racist episode; he added that the Northern League was proud to belong to the ELDR Group and had no lessons on anti-racism to learn from Mr Parigi's political party;
- Mr Martens, who asked for Parliament to move on to the next item.

2. Topical and urgent debate (objections)

The President announced that pursuant to Rule 47(2), second subparagraph, she had received the following objections, tabled and justified in writing, to the list of subjects for the next debate on topical and urgent subjects of major importance:

II. Free movement of agricultural products

- Motion by the UPE Group to replace this subject with a new subject 'paedophile networks' comprising motion for a resolution B4-0614/96 by the UPE Group.

The motion was rejected.

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— Motion by the Green Group to replace the subject with a new subject 'storage of nuclear waste' comprising motions for resolutions B4-0584/96 by the ELDR Group, B4-0593/96 by the Green Group, B4-0595/96 by the ARE Group, B4-0600/96 by the PPE Group, B4-0611/96 by the GUE/NGL Group and B4-0628/96 by the PSE Group.

The motion was rejected.

III. Human rights

— Motion by the PPE Group to delete the following item 'Freedom of expression in Albania and Belarus' comprising motions for resolutions B4-0607/96 by the GUE/NGL Group, B4-0625/96 by the PSE Group, B4-0637/96 by the Green Group, B4-0640/96 by the Green Group and B4-0651/96 by the PPE Group.

The motion was rejected by EV (152 for, 172 against, 5 abstentions).

— Motion by the PSE Group to include in the subject a new item 'Detention of Raghbir Singh Johal' comprising its motion for a resolution B4-0618/96.

The motion was rejected by RCV (PSE):

Members voting:	329
For:	161
Against:	166
Abstentions:	2

— Motion by the PPE and Green Groups to include in the subject a new item 'Tibet' comprising motion for a resolution B4-0636/96 by the Green Group and motion for a resolution B4-0649/96 by the PPE Group.

Mr De Luca asked the authors of the motion to withdraw it (the President cut him off).

The motion was approved.

— Motion by the PPE Group to include in the subject a new item 'Right to life of the disabled' comprising motion for a resolution B4-0650/96 by the PPE Group.

The motion was approved by RCV (PPE):

Members voting:	332
For:	170
Against:	152
Abstentions:	10

3. Member States' excessive deficits (statement with questions)

Mr de Silguy, Member of the Commission, made a statement on Member States' excessive deficits.

The following put questions: Mr Metten, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Martens, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Cox, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Jové Peres, on behalf of the UE/NGL Group, Mrs Soltwedel-Schäfer, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Dell'Alba, on behalf of the ARE Group,

Mr Martinez, Non-attached Member, Mrs Béres, Mr Christodoulou, Mr Gallagher, Mrs Torres Marques, Mr von Wogau, Mrs Randzio-Plath, Mr Katiforis, Mr Rönholm and Mr Hendrick; Mr de Silguy answered the questions and Mr Dell'Alba then spoke on Mr de Silguy's answer.

The President closed the debate.

4. Pollution prevention and control **II (debate)

Mr Bowe introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Directive on integrated pollution prevention and control (C4-0094/96 — 00/0526(SYN)) (A4-0159/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Myller, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Florenz, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Cabrol, on behalf of the UPE Group, and Mr Olsson, on behalf of the ELDR Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr SCHLÜTER

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mrs González Álvarez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Lannoye, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Blokland, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mrs Bjerregaard, Member of the Commission, Mrs Schleicher, Mr Florenz, Mr Bowe, the last three to put questions to the Commission which Mrs Bjerregaard answered.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 14.

5. Disposal of PCB/PCT **II (debate)

Mr Bowe introduced the recommendation for second reading drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Directive on the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls and polychlorinated terphenyls (PCB/PCT) (C4-0095/96 — 00/0161(SYN)) (A4-0140/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Schleicher, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Eisma, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Amadeo, Non-attached Member, and Mrs Bjerregaard, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 15.

6. Protection of financial interests * (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on two reports.

Mr Bontempi introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs, on the draft

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Council Act drawing up the Protocol to the Convention on the protection of the Communities' financial interests and on the draft Protocol, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, to the Convention on the Protection of the European Communities' financial interests (officials and members) (C4-0607/95 — 12549/95 — 96/0902(CNS)) (A4-0130/96).

Mrs Theato introduced her report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control, on the proposal for a Council Regulation concerning on-the-spot checks and inspections by the Commission for the detection of frauds and irregularities detrimental to the financial interests of the European Communities (COM(95)0690 — C4-0115/96 — 95/0358(CNS)) (A4-0145/96). She also spoke as draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgetary Control on the Bontempi report A4-0130/96.

The following spoke: Mr Tomlinson, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Chanterie, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Caccavale, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Wiebenga, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Vandemeulebroucke, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Le Gallou, Non-attached Member, Mr Blak, Mr Kellett-Bowman, Mr De Luca, Mr Schulz, Mr Rosado Fernandes and Mrs Gradin, Member of the Commission.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr HÄNSCH

President

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 17.

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7. Labelling of dangerous substances ***II (Rule 66(7))

Recommendation for second reading in the form of a letter by the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances (C4-0224/96 — 95/0325(COD))

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0224/96 — 95/0325(COD):

The President declared the common position approved (*Part II, Item 1*).

8. Telecommunications and satellite communications ***I (Rule 99)

The next item was the vote on a proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive relating to telecommunications terminal equipment and satellite earth station equipment, including the mutual recognition of their conformity (consolidated version) (COM(95)0612 — C4-0576/95 — 95/0309(COD)).

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: ECON, TRAN

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0612 — C4-0576/95 — 95/0309(COD)

Parliament approved the Commission proposal by EV (331 for, 1 against, 4 abstentions) (*Part II, Item 2*).

9. Personal protective equipment ***I (Rule 99)

Report by the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 89/686/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to personal protective equipment (PPE) (COM(95)0552 — C4-0533/95 — 95/0279(COD)) (A4-0137/96) (rapporteur: Mr Wolf) (without debate)

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0552 — C4-0533/95 — 95/0279(COD)

The rapporteur spoke.

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 3*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 3*).

10. Natural mineral waters ***II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Florenz (A4-0116/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0060/96 — 94/0235(COD):

Amendments adopted: 1; 2

Amendments rejected: 3; 4 by RCV

Amendment withdrawn: 5

Results of RCVs:

am. 4 (V):	
Members voting:	435
For:	41
Against:	393
Abstentions:	1

(Mr Gallagher had intended to vote against)

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The President declared the common position approved as amended (*Part II, Item 4*).

11. Flavouring substances in foodstuffs ***II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen (A4-0143/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0059/96 — 00/0478(COD):

Amendments adopted: 2; 4

Amendments rejected: 1, 3 and 5 collectively; 7; 6 by RCV

Separate votes: am 2 (PPE); 4 (PPE)

Results of RCVs:

am. 6 (V):	
Members voting:	459
For:	278
Against:	171
Abstentions:	10

The President declared the common position approved as amended (*Part II, Item 5*).

12. Ambient air quality **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Papayannakis (A4-0155/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0061/96 — 94/0106(SYN):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 23 collectively

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 6*).

13. Landfill of waste **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Bowe (A4-0150/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0067/96 — 00/0335(SYN):

The rapporteur asked whether the Commission was willing, and whether it had a mandate from the Council, to modify certain parts of the common position, in particular Article 3 (the Commission indicated it did not wish to take the floor).

Proposal to reject the common position (ams. 25 (PSE) and 26 (PPE)): adopted by RCV (V):

Members voting:	485
For:	445
Against:	18
Abstentions:	22

The common position was thereby rejected (*Part II, Item 7*).

The President asked the Commission if it was prepared to withdraw its proposal.

Mrs Gradin, Member of the Commission, replied that the Commission would reconsider its proposal and inform Parliament.

14. Pollution prevention and control **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Bowe (A4-0159/96)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0094/96 — 00/0526(SYN):

Proposal to reject the common position (am. 61 (PPE)): rejected by RCV (PSE, PPE):

Members voting:	480
For:	185
Against:	281
Abstentions:	14

Mrs Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, requested separate votes on ams. 16 and 17.

Amendments adopted: 2; 4 by RCV; 5; 7 and 8 collectively; 10; 14; 15 by RCV; 16 and 17 collectively by EV (320 for, 149 against, 3 abstentions); 18, 19, 21 and 22 collectively; 20 by RCV; 24; 28; 30; 32; 33; 34 by EV (324 for, 145 against, 3 abstentions); 35; 37 by RCV; 54; 39; 57; 42; 44; 46; 49; 52 by EV (315 for, 160 against, 3 abstentions)

Amendments rejected: 1 by EV (287 for, 187 against, 4 abstentions); 3 by EV (287 for, 195 against, 1 abstentions); 9 by EV (288 for, 190 against, 3 abstentions); 11 by EV (295 for, 183 against, 5 abstentions); 12 by EV (298 for, 178 against, 8 abstentions); 13 by EV (293 for, 177 against, 11 abstentions); 53; 23 by EV (260 for, 211 against, 6 abstentions); 25 by EV (256 for, 221 against, 6 abstentions); 60; 26 by EV (282 for, 188 against, 9 abstentions); 27 by RCV; 29 by EV (272 for, 182 against, 13 abstentions); 31 by EV (287 for, 186 against, 4 abstentions); 36 by EV (261 for, 193 against, 15 abstentions); 38 by EV (297 for, 163 against, 14 abstentions); 55; 56; 59; 40; 58; 41; 43 by EV (286 for, 186 against, 0 abstentions); 45; 47; 48; 50; 51

Amendments not put to the vote: 6 (Rule 125(1))

Separate votes: ams. 1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 12, 13, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 (UPE)

Results of RCVs:

am. 4 (V):	
Members voting:	480
For:	415
Against:	60
Abstentions:	5

am. 15 (V):	
Members voting:	475
For:	404
Against:	53
Abstentions:	18

am. 20 (V):	
Members voting:	483
For:	451
Against:	24
Abstentions:	8

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am. 27 (V):
 Members voting: 473
 For: 282
 Against: 182
 Abstentions: 9

185 against, 1 abstentions); 14 to 16 collectively; 17; 18 and 19 collectively; 20 by EV (256 for, 201 against, 0 abstentions); 21, 23, 24, 26 to 30, 32, 33 and 35 collectively; 22 (1st part); 25 by EV (242 for, 208 against, 14 abstentions); 31 (1st part); 31 (2nd part) by EV (231 for, 221 against, 13 abstentions); and 34 by EV (230 for, 181 against, 49 abstentions)

am. 37 (V):
 Members voting: 478
 For: 396
 Against: 74
 Abstentions: 8

Amendments rejected: 40 by EV (224 for, 237 against, 0 abstentions); 22 (2nd part)

Amendment fallen: 37

(Mrs Dybkjær had intended to vote against, not in favour, and Mrs Roth-Behrendt had intended to vote in favour).

Amendment cancelled: 38

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 8*).

Separate votes: ams. 2, 25, 34 (PSE)

Split votes:

15. Disposal of PCB/PCT **II (vote)

Recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Bowe (A4-0140/96)

am. 22 (PSE):

1st part: 1st paragraph
 2nd part: 2nd paragraph

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL C4-0095/96 — 00/0161(SYN):

am. 31 (PSE):

1st part: 1st and 2nd paragraphs
 2nd part: 3rd paragraph (deletion of original text)

Amendments adopted: 5; 2; 3 (1st part)

Amendments rejected: 3 (2nd part) by EV (266 for, 196 against, 0 abstentions)

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 10(a)*).

Amendment fallen: 1

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Amendment cancelled: 4

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 10(a)*).

Split votes:

am. 3 (PPE):

1st part: 1st paragraph
 2nd part: 2nd paragraph

(b) A4-0144/96:

The common position was thus amended (*Part II, Item 9*).

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0543 — C4-0001/96 — 95/0280(COD):

(The text of am. 5 in the report had been incorporated in am. 4)

The following spoke during the vote:

— Mrs Jackson, who noted that the Member of the Commission responsible for the environment was not present and asked for the Commission to ensure that, in future, the Commissioner responsible attended important votes;

Amendments adopted: 1 to 4 and 6 to 10 collectively; 19 amended; 12 to 18 collectively

Amendment fallen: 11

— Mrs Roth-Behrendt, on Mrs Jackson's remarks.

The following spoke during the vote:

16. Telecommunications ***I (vote)

Reports by Mr W.G. van Velzen (A4-0142/96) and Mr Herman (A4-0144/96)

— the rapporteur pointed out that the words 'the unions' should be included in am. 19 (the President established that there was no opposition to this oral amendment being put to the vote).

(a) A4-0142/96:

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0545 — C4-0089/96 — 95/0282(COD):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 10(b)*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Amendments adopted: 1 and 3 to 12 collectively; 2 by EV (224 for, 200 against, 27 abstentions); 13; 36; 39 by EV (278 for,

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 10(b)*).

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17. Protection of financial interests * (vote)

Reports by Mr Bontempi (A4-0130/96) and Mrs Theato (A4-0145/96)

(a) A4-0130/96:

DRAFT COUNCIL ACT C4-0607/95 — 12549/95 — 96/0902(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 8, 10, 12 to 21 and 23 to 25 collectively; 9 by split vote; 11 and 22

The following spoke during the vote:

— the rapporteur on the wording of am. 22.

Separate votes: am. 11 (ELDR)

Split votes:

am. 9 (ELDR):

1st part: text without the words 'attempts at committing'
2nd part: those words

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 11(a)*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 11(a)*).

(b) A4-0145/96:

PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0690 — C4-0115/96 — 95/0358(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 13 collectively

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 11(b)*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 11(b)*).

18. Telecommunications (vote)

Cassidy report — A4-0141/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 3 by EV (214 for, 202 against, 6 abstentions); 4; 1 by EV (258 for, 168 against, 4 abstentions); 2

Amendments rejected: 5; 6

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 12*).

19. Broadcasting of sports events (vote)

Motion for a resolution B4-0326/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B4-0326/96:

(Mr Tamino had also signed ams. 11, 12 and 13)

Amendments adopted: 17 by EV (219 for, 189 against, 2 abstentions); 18 by EV (215 for, 194 against, 5 abstentions); 4; 5; 6; 1 by EV (197 for, 191 against, 4 abstentions); 13; 19; 2 by EV (229 for, 169 against, 4 abstentions); 8; 9 by EV (210 for, 193 against, 6 abstentions); 15 by EV (198 for, 197 against, 11 abstentions); 20 by EV (212 for, 186 against, 1 abstentions); 21

Amendments rejected: 10 by EV (194 for, 215 against, 6 abstentions); 11; 12 by EV (196 for, 212 against, 3 abstentions); 16 by EV (139 for, 223 against, 36 abstentions)

Amendment fallen: 7

Amendments withdrawn: 3; 14

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

The following spoke during the vote:

— Ms Tongue asked for the English versions of ams. 4, 6, 13 and 19 to be reworded: Mrs Guinebertière, co-author of am. 4 agreed;

After Ms Tongue had renewed her request, before the vote on am. 6, Mr Kuhne opposed this change, arguing that it did not necessarily apply to countries other than the UK; Ms Tongue believed that this change should not cause any problems with the other language versions.

The President took the view that the change was one of substance and was opposed by certain Members; he therefore decided to put the amendments to the vote in their original version.

Mr Kuhne sought an assurance that the proposed change would not be incorporated in am. 4 which had already been put to the vote (the President gave him this assurance).

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 12*).

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Explanations of vote:

recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Florenz (A4-0116/96):

— *in writing:* Mrs Díez de Rivera Icaza; Mr Caudron; Mr Blot

recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Papayannakis (A4-0155/96):

— *in writing:* Mr Caudron

recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Bowe (A4-0150/96)

— *in writing:* Mr Eisma; Mrs Jackson

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recommendation for 2nd reading by Mr Bowe (A4-0159/96)

— *in writing*: Mrs Jackson

W. G. van Velzen report (A4-0142/96)

— *in writing*: Mr Rovsing; Mr Blak, Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen, Mr Sindal; Mr Caudron; Mr Lindqvist

Herman report (A4-0144/96):

— *in writing*: Mr Fayot; Mr Blot; Mr Lindqvist; Mr Blak and Mr Rovsing

Cassidy report (A4-0141/96):

— *in writing*: Mr Wolf; Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen, Mr Blak and Mr Sindal

sports broadcasting (B4-0326/96):

— *oral*: Mr Tittley

— *in writing*: Mr Cushnahan

END OF VOTING TIME

(The sitting was suspended at 1.30 p.m. and resumed at 3 p.m.)

IN THE CHAIR: Mr IMBENI

Vice-President

20. Agricultural prices * (debate)

Mr Santini introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, on the proposals for 27 Council Regulations on the prices for agricultural products and on related measures (1996-1997) (COM(96)0044 – C4-0159/96 to C4-0185/96 – 96/0056(CNS) to 96/0077(CNS) and 96/0903(CNS) to 96/0907(CNS)) (A4-0117/96).

The following spoke: Mr Giansily, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgets, Mr Fantuzzi, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Funk, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Jacob, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, who also spoke on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Cunha, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Jové Peres, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf, on behalf of the V Group, Mrs Barthet-Mayer, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs Poisson, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Martinez, Non-attached Member, Mr Pinto, President-in-Office of the Council, and Mr Fischler, Member of the Commission.

The following spoke: Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf, on a procedural motion. (the President established that the speaker's point was not to do with procedure and cut him off) and Mr Thomas, who put a question to the Commission (the President pointed out that the Commission would answer all the questions at the end of the debate).

The following spoke: Mr Colino Salamanca, Mrs Redondo Jiménez, Mr Hyland and Mr Mulder.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr ANASTASSOPOULOS

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mr Svensson, Mr Tamino, Mr des Places, Mr Thomas, Mr Goepel, Mr Rosado Fernandes, Mr Järvilähti, Mr Rehder, Mrs Schierhuber, Mrs Daskalaki, Mr Cox, Mr Happart, Mr Sonneveld, Mr Philippe Armand Martin, Mr Goerens, Mr Wilson, Mr Filippi, Mr Chesa, Mrs Lambraki, Mr Gillis, Mr Hallam, Mr Sturdy, Mr Virgin, Mr Arias Cañete, Mr McCartin, and Mrs Keppelhoff-Wiechert.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr FONTANA

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mrs Fraga Estévez, Mr Fischler and Mr Santini.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 4.

21. Question Time (questions to the Council)

Parliament considered a number of questions to the Council (B4-0441/96).

Question 1 by Mr Smith: Insurance for the nuclear industry

Mr Fassino, President-in-Office of the Council, answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Smith, Mr Gollnisch and Mrs Ewing.

Question 2 by Mr Trakatellis: Danger of a nuclear accident at the Kozloduy power plant

Mr Fassino answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Trakatellis, Mr von Habsburg and Mr Lindqvist.

Question 3 by Mr Murphy: Eyesight requirements for drivers of heavy goods vehicles

Mr Fassino answered the question and a supplementary by Mr Murphy.

Question 4 by Mrs McIntosh: Measures to tackle oil pollution

Mr Fassino answered the question and a supplementary by Mrs McIntosh.

Question 5 by Mr Roubatis: Infringement by European airlines of international conventions and ICAO Regulations

Mr Fassino answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Roubatis and Mr Tsatsos.

Question 6 by Mr Lomas: Turkey

Mr Fassino answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Lomas, Mr Falconer and Mr Tajani. He undertook to answer Mr Falconer's question in more detail at the next Question Time.

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Question 7 by Mr Lindqvist: The situation of the Kurds in Turkey

Mr Fassino answered the question and supplementaries by Mr Lindqvist, Mr Newens and Mr Papayannakis.

Question 8 by Mrs Ahlqvist: The EU and Belarus

Mr Fassino answered the question and a supplementary by Mrs Ahlqvist.

Question 9 by Mr Wibe: The EU and the election in Albania

Question 10 by Mr Alavanos: Respect for democratic procedures in the run-up to the general elections in Albania

Mr Fassino answered the questions and a supplementary by Mr Wibe.

Ms Tongue noted that Question Time had begun a quarter of an hour late and asked for it to continue (the President replied that he had taken the delay into account).

Questions which had not been answered would receive written answers.

The President closed Question Time to the Council.

22. Membership of committees and delegations

At the request of the Non-attached Members, Parliament ratified the following appointments:

- Committee on Foreign Affairs: Mr Jung
- Committee on Agriculture: Mr Linser to replace Mr Lukas
- Committee on the Rules of Procedure: Mr Jung
- Delegation to the EU-Czech Republic Joint Parliamentary Committee: Mr Lukas
- Delegation to the EU-Slovak Republic Joint Parliamentary Committee: Mr Lukas
- Delegation for Relations with Slovenia: Mr Lukas
- Delegation for Relations with Canada: Mr Jung and Mr Linser

(The sitting was suspended at 7.15 p.m. and resumed at 9 p.m.)

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs SCHLEICHER

Vice-President

The following spoke:

— Mr Tomlinson, who asked if it had been planned that the Secretary-General of Parliament would attend the debate on discharge for Parliament's budget (the President replied that the Secretary-General had been informed and would arrive at any moment);

— Mrs Theato, who recalled that a month ago, in similar circumstances, the sitting had been suspended until the arrival of the institution concerned (Minutes of 16.4.1996, Part I, Item 16) and asked for the sitting to be suspended until the arrival of the Secretary-General;

— Mr Mulder, who gave way immediately in view of the arrival of the Secretary-General.

The President established that Mrs Theato's request was no longer applicable as the Secretary-General had arrived.

23. Discharge for implementation of 1994 budget (debate)

Mr Dankert introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control on giving discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 1994 Sections I — European Parliament, IV — Court of Justice, V — Court of Auditors, VI — Economic and Social Committee/Committee of the Regions (A4-0132/96).

The following spoke: Mr Tomlinson, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mrs Theato, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Florio, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mulder, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Müller, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Blak, Mr König, Mr Teverson and Mr Wynn.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 8.

24. Health and safety at work * (debate)

Mr Skinner introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the proposal for a Council decision adopting a programme of non-legislative measures to improve health and safety at work (COM(95)0282 — C4-0386/95 — 95/0155(CNS)) (A4-0099/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Gredler, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgets, Mrs Sornosa Martínez, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Mr Hughes, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Hatzidakis, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Florio, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Boogerd-Quaak, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Stenius-Kaukonen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Wolf, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Blak and Mr Flynn, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 5.

25. Commission activities in employment * (debate)

Mr Papakyriazis introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the proposal for a Council decision on the Commission's activities of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment (Essen) (COM(95)0250 — C4-0385/95 — 95/0149(CNS)) (A4-0127/96).

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The following spoke: Mr Pronk, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgets, Mrs Carlsson, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Economic Affairs, Mrs Van Lancker, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Thomas Mann, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Crowley, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Boogerd-Quaak, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs Stenius-Kaukonen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Wolf, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Nußbaumer, Non-attached Member, Mr Cabezón Alonso, Mr Porto and Mr Flynn, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 6.

26. 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994) (debate)

Mr Mezzaroma introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the final report from the Commission on implementation of the Community programme concerning the economic and social integration of the economically and socially less privileged groups in society 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994) (COM(95)0094 — C4-0150/95) (A4-0102/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Sornosa Martínez, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Women's Rights, Mrs Waddington, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Vieira, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Boogerd-Quaak, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs González Álvarez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Wolf, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Vandemeulebroucke, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs Angelilli, Non-attached Member, Mrs Weiler, Mr Schiedermeier, Mrs Eriksson, Mrs Ghilardotti and Mr Flynn, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 9.

27. European Centre for Industrial Relations (debate)

Mr Morris introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the establishment of a European Centre for Industrial Relations (ECIR) (COM(95)0445 — C4-0440/95) (A4-0121/96).

The following spoke: Mr Tappin, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgets, Mr Wim van Velzen, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Menrad, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mrs Boogerd-Quaak, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Wolf, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Nußbaumer, Non-attached Member, Mr Hughes, chairman of the Committee on Social Affairs, Mr Thomas Mann, Mrs Ghilardotti, Mr Skinner and Mr Flynn, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 23.5.1996, Part I, Item 10.

28. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting of Thursday 23 May 1996:

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 8 p.m.

10 a.m. to 12 noon

— voting time

12 noon to 1 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

- Gahrton report on aid to the West Bank and Gaza Strip
- Nordmann report on aid for population policies and programmes in developing countries **I
- Commission statement on Habitat II (followed by debate)
- Kreissl-Dörfler report on trade and the environment
- Pex report on industrial cooperation with the CEECs

3 to 6 p.m.

- topical and urgent debate

(The sitting closed at 12.25 a.m.)

Enrico VINCI
Secretary-General

Nicole FONTAINE
Vice-President

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PART II

Texts adopted by the European Parliament

1. Labelling of dangerous substances *II (Rule 66(7))**

Common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances (C4-0224/96 – 95/0325(COD))

(Codecision procedure: second reading)

The common position was approved.

The Council was requested to adopt the act definitively in accordance with the common position as soon as possible.

2. Telecommunications and satellite communications *I (Rule 99)**

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive relating to telecommunications terminal equipment and satellite earth station equipment, including the mutual recognition of their conformity (consolidated version) (COM(95)0612 – C4-0576/95 – 95/0309(COD))

The proposal was approved.

3. Personal protective equipment *I (Rule 99)**

A4-0137/96

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 89/686/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to personal protective equipment (PPE) (COM(95)0552 – C4-0533/95 – 95/0279(COD))

The proposal was approved.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 89/686/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to personal protective equipment (PPE) (COM(95)0552 – C4-0533/95 – 95/0279(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(95)0552 – 95/0279(COD) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to Articles 189b(2) and 100a of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C4-0533/95),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy (A4-0137/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament, calls on the Council to notify Parliament and requests that the conciliation procedure be initiated;
 3. Points out that the Commission is required to submit to Parliament any modification it may intend to make to its proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 23, 27.1.1996, p. 6.

4. Natural mineral waters *II**

A4-0116/96

Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 80/777/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the exploitation and marketing of natural mineral waters (C4-0060/96 – 94/0235(COD))

(Codecision procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0060/96 – 94/0235(COD),
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽¹⁾ on the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(94)0423 ⁽²⁾,
- having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(95)0563,
- having regard to Article 189b(2) of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 72 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0116/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 287, 30.10.1995, p. 101.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 314, 11.11.1994, p. 4.

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1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Calls on the Commission to support Parliament's amendments in the opinion it is required to deliver pursuant to Article 189b(2)(d) of the EC Treaty;
3. Calls on the Council to approve all Parliament's amendments, amend its common position accordingly and definitively adopt the act;
4. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

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(Amendment 1)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 4(4) (Directive 80/777/EEC)

4. Paragraph 1 shall not constitute a bar to the utilization of natural mineral *water* in the manufacture of soft drinks.

4. Paragraph 1 shall not constitute a bar to the utilization of natural mineral **waters and spring waters** in the manufacture of soft drinks.

(Amendment 2)

ARTICLE 1(5)

Article 9(4a), first indent (Directive 80/777/EEC)

— satisfies the conditions of exploitation laid down in Annex II, paragraphs 2 and 3;

— satisfies the conditions of exploitation laid down in Annex II, paragraphs 2 and 3, **which shall be fully applicable to spring waters**;

5. Flavouring substances in foodstuffs ***II

A4-0143/96

Decision on the common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Regulation laying down a Community procedure for flavouring substances used or intended for use in foodstuffs (C4-0059/96 – 00/0478(COD))

(Codecision procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0059/96 – 00/0478(COD)
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽¹⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(93)0609 ⁽²⁾,
- having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(94)0236 ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to Article 189b(2) of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 72 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0143/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 205, 25.7.1994, p. 398.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 1, 4.1.1994, p. 22.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 171, 24.6.1994, p. 6.

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1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Calls on the Commission to support Parliament's amendments in the opinion it is required to deliver pursuant to Article 189b(2)(d) of the EC Treaty;
3. Calls on the Council to approve all Parliament's amendments, amend its common position accordingly and definitively adopt the act;
4. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

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(Amendment 2)

Recital 9a (new)

Whereas already authorized flavouring substances, which are to be produced in processes or with source materials which were not the basis for the Scientific Committee for Food's assessment, will be resubmitted to the Scientific Committee for Food for a complete assessment;

(Amendment 4)

Article 3(2), 2nd subparagraph (new)

Flavouring substances shall be designated in such a way as to protect the intellectual property rights of the flavouring substances' producer.

6. Ambient air quality **II

A4-0155/96

Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive on ambient air quality assessment and management (C4-0061/96 – 94/0106(SYN))

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0061/96 – 94/0106(SYN),
- having regard to its opinion at first reading⁽¹⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(94)0109⁽²⁾,
- having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(95)0312⁽³⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0155/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 166, 3.7.1995, p. 167.⁽²⁾ OJ C 216, 6.8.1994, p. 4.⁽³⁾ OJ C 28, 13.9.1995, p. 10.

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1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

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(Amendment 1)

Article 2(5)

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| <p>5) 'limit value' shall mean a level fixed on the basis of scientific knowledge, with the aim of avoiding, preventing or reducing harmful effects on human health and/or the environment as a whole to be attained within a given period and not to be exceeded once attained;</p> | <p>5) 'limit value' shall mean a level fixed on the basis of scientific knowledge, with the aim of avoiding, preventing or reducing harmful effects on human health and/or the environment as a whole, according to the 'critical load concept', to be attained within a given period and not to be exceeded once attained;</p> |
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(Amendment 2)

Article 2(5a) (new)

- 5a) **'maximum allowable immission level' shall mean the level of a certain pollutant, the effects of which when ingested or deposited are not detrimental to humans, animals, plants or goods, according to the 'critical load concept';**

(Amendment 3)

Article 2(5b) (new)

- 5b) **'critical load concept' shall mean, for acid deposition, the highest load that will not cause chemical changes leading to long-term harmful effects on the most sensitive ecological systems, or, for gaseous pollutants, the concentration of pollutants in the atmosphere above which direct adverse effects on receptors, such as plants, ecosystems or materials, may occur, according to present scientific knowledge;**

(Amendment 4)

Article 2(6)

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| <p>6) 'target value' shall mean a level fixed with the aim of <i>avoiding</i> more long-term harmful effects on human health and/or the environment as a whole, to be attained where possible over a given period;</p> | <p>6) 'target value' shall mean a level, based on scientific knowledge concerning the critical load, i.e. the concentration above which direct adverse effects on human beings, animals, plants or goods may occur, fixed with the aim of averting or preventing more long-term harmful effects on human health and/or the environment as a whole, to be attained where possible over a given period;</p> |
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(Amendment 5)

Article 2(10)

10) 'agglomeration' shall mean a zone with a population concentration in excess of 250 000 inhabitants or, where the population concentration is 250 000 inhabitants or less, a population density per km² which for the Member States justifies the need for ambient air quality to be assessed and managed.

10) 'agglomeration' shall mean a zone with a population concentration in excess of **100 000** inhabitants or, where the population concentration is **100 000** inhabitants or less, a population density per km² which for the Member States justifies the need for ambient air quality to be assessed and managed.

(Amendment 6)

Article 3, second paragraph (new)

The Member States shall also make all the above information available to the public by every appropriate means.

(Amendment 7)

Article 4, title and (1)

Setting of the limit values and alert thresholds for ambient air

1. For those pollutants listed in Annex I, the Commission shall submit to the Council proposals for the setting of limit values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds according to the following timetable:

- no later than 31 December 1996 for pollutants *1 to 5*;
- in accordance with Article 8 of Directive 92/72/EEC for ozone;
- as soon as possible, and no later than 31 December 1999, for pollutants *7 to 13*.

In fixing the limit values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds, account shall be taken, *by way of example*, of the factors laid down in Annex II.

Regarding ozone, these proposals will take account of the specific formation mechanisms of this pollutant and, to this end, *provision may be made for* target values and/or limit values.

If a target value fixed for ozone is exceeded, Member States shall inform the Commission of the measures taken in order to attain that value. On the basis of this information the Commission shall evaluate whether additional measures are necessary at Community level and, should the need arise, shall submit proposals to the Council.

For other pollutants, the Commission shall submit to the Council proposals for fixing limit values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds if, on the basis of scientific progress and taking into account the criteria laid down in Annex III, it appears necessary to avoid, prevent or reduce the harmful effects of such pollutants on human health and/or the environment as a whole within the Community.

Setting of the limit **and target** values and alert thresholds for ambient air

1. For those pollutants listed in Annex I, the Commission shall submit to the Council proposals for the setting of limit **and target** values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds according to the following timetable:

- no later than 31 December 1996 for pollutants **in the first series (Section I)**;
- in accordance with Article 8 of Directive 92/72/EEC for ozone;
- as soon as possible, and no later than 31 December 1999, for pollutants **in the second series (Section II)**.

In fixing the limit **and target** values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds, account shall be taken of the factors laid down in Annex II.

Regarding ozone, these proposals will take account of the specific formation mechanisms of this pollutant and, to this end, target values and limit values **shall be established**.

If a target value fixed for ozone is exceeded, Member States shall inform the Commission of the measures taken in order to attain that value. On the basis of this information the Commission shall evaluate whether additional measures are necessary at Community level and, should the need arise, shall submit proposals to the Council.

For other pollutants, the Commission shall submit to the Council proposals for fixing limit **and target** values and, as appropriate, alert thresholds if, on the basis of scientific progress and taking into account the criteria laid down in Annex III, it appears necessary to avoid, prevent or reduce the harmful effects of such pollutants on human health and/or the environment as a whole within the Community.

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(Amendment 8)

Article 4(2)

2. The Commission shall be responsible, taking account of the most recent scientific-research data in the epidemiological fields concerned and of the most recent advances in metrology, for re-examining the elements on which the limit values and alert thresholds referred to in paragraph 1 are based.

2. The Commission shall be responsible, taking account of the most recent scientific-research data in the epidemiological **and environmental** fields concerned and of the most recent advances in metrology, for re-examining the elements on which the limit **and target** values and alert thresholds referred to in paragraph 1 are based.

(Amendment 9)

Article 4(3), introduction

3. When limit values and alert thresholds are set, criteria and techniques shall be established for:

3. When limit **and target** values and alert thresholds are set, criteria and techniques shall be established for:

(Amendment 10)

Article 4(4)

4. To take into account the actual levels of a given pollutant when setting limit values and the time needed to implement measures for improving the ambient air quality, the Council may also set a temporary margin of tolerance for the limit value.

This margin shall be reduced according to procedures to be defined for each pollutant in order to attain the level of the limit value at the latest at the end of *a period to be determined for each pollutant when that value is set.*

4. To take into account the actual levels of a given pollutant when setting limit values and the time needed to implement measures for improving the ambient air quality, the Council may also set a temporary margin of tolerance for the limit value, **whose period of validity shall not exceed five years.**

This margin shall be reduced according to procedures to be defined for each pollutant in order to attain the level of the limit value at the latest at the end of **the five-year period referred to in the first subparagraph.**

(Amendment 11)

Article 4(7)

7. When a Member State intends to set limit values or alert thresholds for pollutants not referred to in Annex I and not covered by Community provisions concerning ambient air quality in the Community, it shall inform the Commission thereof in sufficient time *to allow examination* of the need to act at Community level following the criteria laid down in Annex III.

7. When a Member State intends to set limit values or alert thresholds for pollutants not referred to in Annex I and not covered by Community provisions concerning ambient air quality in the Community, it shall inform the Commission thereof in sufficient time. **The Commission shall be required to supply, in sufficient time, an answer to the question** of the need to act at Community level following the criteria laid down in Annex III.

(Amendment 12)

Article 6(2), first indent a (new)

- **areas of heavy industrial concentration and high consumption of fossil fuels,**

(Amendment 13)

Article 7(2)(a)

(a) take into account an integrated approach to the protection of air, water *and* soil;

(a) take into account an integrated approach to the protection of air, water, soil **and ecosystems;**

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(Amendment 14)

Article 11(1)(a)(iii)

(iii) send to the Commission the plans or programmes referred to in Article 8(3) no later than *two years* after the end of the year during which the levels were observed;

(iii) send to the Commission the plans or programmes referred to in Article 8(3) no later than **one year** after the end of the year during which the levels were observed;

(Amendment 15)

Article 12

1. *The amendments necessary to adapt the criteria and techniques referred to in Article 4(2) to scientific and technical progress, and the detailed arrangements for forwarding the information to be provided under Article 11, and other tasks specified in the provisions referred to in Article 4(3), shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 2 of this Article.*

Such adaptation must not have the effect of modifying the limit values or the alert thresholds either directly or indirectly.

2. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

The representative of the Commission shall submit to the committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. *The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148(2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Members States within the committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The chairman shall not vote.*

The Commission shall adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the committee. If the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the opinion of the committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall, without delay, submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, on the expiry of a period of three months from the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the proposed measures shall be adopted by the Commission.

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of **an advisory nature** composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission; **this committee shall consult experts in the fields and sectors concerned, including NGOs specializing in matters within its remit.**

2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter, **if necessary by taking a vote.**

2a. The opinion shall be recorded in the minutes; in addition, each Member State shall have the right to ask to have its position recorded in the minutes.

2b. The Commission shall take the utmost account of the opinion delivered by the committee. It shall inform the committee of the manner in which its opinion has been taken into account.

(Amendment 16)

Annex I(I), heading

I. Pollutants governed by existing ambient air quality Directives

I. **Pollutants to be studied at an initial stage, including pollutants** governed by existing ambient air quality Directives

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(Amendment 17)

*Annex I(I) (6a) (new)***6a. Benzene**

(Amendment 18)

*Annex I(I) (6b) (new)***6b. Carbon monoxide**

(Amendment 19)

*Annex I(II) (7)*7. *Benzene***Deleted**

(Amendment 20)

*Annex I(II) (9)*9. *Carbon monoxide***Deleted**

(Amendment 21)

*Annex I(II) (12)*12. *Nickel***12. Carcinogenic nickel compounds (category L) within the meaning of Directive 67/548/EEC**

(Amendment 22)

*Annex I(IIa) (new)***IIa. Pollutants to be studied at a second stage:**

- **Dioxins**
- **Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)**
- **Methane**
- **Ammoniac**
- **Nitric acid**

(Amendment 23)

Annex II, introduction

When setting the limit value and, as appropriate, alert threshold, the following factors *may, by way of example*, be taken into account:

When setting the limit value and, as appropriate, alert threshold, the following factors **shall** be taken into account:

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7. Landfill of waste **II**A4-0150/96****Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive (EC) on the landfill of waste (C4-0067/96 – 00/0335(SYN))**

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0067/96 – 00/0335(SYN),
 - having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽¹⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(91)0102 ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to the modified Commission proposal, COM(93)0275 ⁽³⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
 - having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0150/96),
1. Rejects the common position;
 2. Calls on the Commission to withdraw its proposal;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 150, 15.6.1992, p. 129 and OJ C 305, 23.11.1992, p. 75.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 190, 22.7.1991, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 212, 5.8.1993, p. 33.

8. Pollution prevention and control **II**A4-0159/96****Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Directive concerning integrated pollution prevention and control (C4-0094/96 – 00/0526(SYN))**

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0094/96 – 00/0526(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽²⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council COM(93)0423 ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(95)0088 – 00/0526(SYN) ⁽⁴⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189c of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0159/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 87, 25.3.1996, p. 8.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 18, 23.01.1995, p. 82.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 311, 17.11.1993, p. 6.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 165, 1.7.1995, p. 9.

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1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission.

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(Amendment 2)

Recital 10

10. Whereas *the provisions of this Directive apply without prejudice to the provisions of Council Directive 85/337/EEC of 27 June 1985 on the assessment of the effects of public and private projects on the environment; whereas, when information or conclusions obtained further to the application of that Directive have to be taken into consideration for the granting of authorization, this Directive does not affect the implementation of Directive 85/337/EEC;*

10. Whereas **the request expressed in Council Directive 85/337/EEC of 27 June 1985 on the assessment of the effects of public and private projects on the environment has been incorporated in this Directive, thus integrating the requisite consideration of environmental interests in the Community authorization procedure for certain industrial installations and harmonizing and simplifying the procedural law for dealing with several media;**

(Amendment 4)

Recital 17

17. Whereas emission limit values, parameters or equivalent technical measures should be based on the best available techniques, without prescribing the use of one specific technique or technology and taking into consideration the technical characteristics of the installation concerned, *its geographical location and local environmental conditions;* whereas in all cases the authorization conditions will lay down provisions on minimizing long-distance or transfrontier pollution and ensure a high level of protection for the environment as a whole;

17. Whereas emission limit values, parameters or equivalent technical measures should be based on the best available techniques, without prescribing the use of one specific technique or technology and taking into consideration the technical characteristics of the installation concerned; whereas in all cases the authorization conditions will lay down provisions on minimizing long-distance or transfrontier pollution and ensure a high level of protection for the environment as a whole;

(Amendment 5)

Recital 18

18. Whereas it is for the Member States to determine how the technical characteristics of the installation concerned, *its geographical location and local environmental conditions* can, where appropriate, be taken into consideration;

18. Whereas it is for the Member States to determine how the technical characteristics of the installation concerned can, where appropriate, be taken into consideration;

(Amendment 7)

Recital 24

24. Whereas the establishment of an inventory of principal emissions and sources responsible may be regarded as an important instrument making it possible in particular to compare pollution activities in the Community; whereas such an inventory will be prepared by the Commission, assisted by a *regulatory committee;*

24. Whereas the establishment of an inventory of principal emissions and sources responsible may be regarded as an important instrument making it possible in particular to compare pollution activities in the Community; whereas such an inventory will be prepared by the Commission, assisted by **an advisory committee;**

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(Amendment 8)

Recital 25a (new)

25a. Whereas special attention must be given to the determination of emission limit values according to Article 18 of the Directive to ensure a better prevention based on the best available techniques to attain the aim of Article 130r of the Treaty;

(Amendment 10)

Article 1

The purpose of this Directive is to achieve integrated prevention and control of pollution arising from the activities listed in Annex I. It lays down measures designed to prevent or, where that is not practicable, to reduce emissions in the air, water and land from the abovementioned activities, including measures concerning waste, in order to achieve a high level of protection of the environment taken as a whole, *without prejudice to Directive 85/337/EEC and other relevant Community provisions.*

The purpose of this Directive is to achieve integrated prevention and control of pollution arising from the **categories of industrial installation and** activities listed in Annex I. It lays down measures designed to prevent, **dispose of** or, where that is not practicable, to reduce emissions in the air, water and land from the abovementioned **installations and** activities, including measures concerning waste, in order to **assess their impact on the environment and thus** achieve a high level of protection of the environment taken as a whole.

(Amendment 14)

Article 2(11), first subparagraph

11) 'best available techniques' shall mean the most effective and advanced stage in the development of activities and their methods of operation which indicate the practical suitability of particular techniques for providing *in principle* the basis for emission limit values designed to prevent and, where that is not practicable, generally to reduce emissions and the impact on the environment as a whole.

11) 'best available techniques' shall mean the most effective and advanced stage in the development of activities and their methods of operation which indicate the practical suitability of particular techniques for providing the basis for emission limit values designed to prevent and, where that is not practicable, generally to reduce emissions and the impact on the environment as a whole.

(Amendment 15)

Article 2(11), second indent

— 'available' techniques shall mean those developed on a scale which allows implementation in the relevant industrial sector, under economically and technically viable conditions, *taking into consideration the costs and advantages*, whether or not the techniques are used or produced inside the Member State in question, as long as they are reasonably accessible to the operator;

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(Amendment 16)

Article 3(b)(b) no significant pollution *is* caused;(b) no **hazard to human health or any other** significant pollution **can be** caused;

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Article 3(f)

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| (f) the necessary measures are taken upon definitive cessation of activities to avoid any pollution risk and return the site of operation to a satisfactory state. | (f) the necessary measures are taken upon definitive cessation of activities to avoid any pollution risk and return the site of operation to a satisfactory state to ensure that human beings and the environment are not harmed. |
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(Amendment 18)

Article 6(1), first indent

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| — the installation and its activities; | — the installation and location, nature and extent of its activities; |
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(Amendment 19)

Article 6(1), fifth indent

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| — the nature and quantities of foreseeable emissions from the installation into each medium <i>as well as identification</i> of significant effects of the emissions on the environment; | — the nature and quantities of foreseeable emissions from the installation into each medium and of significant effects of the emissions on the environment; |
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(Amendment 20)

Article 6(1), sixth indent

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| — the proposed technology and other techniques for preventing or, where this is not possible, reducing emissions from the installation; | — the proposed technology and other techniques for preventing or, where this is not possible, reducing or disposing of emissions from the installation, and a description of the measures with which the objective of this Directive is to be fulfilled, including where necessary a list of the main possible solutions considered by the operator and details of the basic selection criteria with regard to the environmental impact; |
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(Amendment 21)

Article 6(1), 2nd subparagraph (new)

An application for a permit shall also include a non-technical summary of the details referred to in the above indents.

(Amendment 22)

Article 6(2)

2. Where information supplied in accordance with the requirements provided for in Council Directive 85/337/EEC or a safety report prepared in accordance with Council Directive 82/501/EEC of 24 June 1982 on the major-accident hazards of certain industrial activities or other information produced in response to other legislation fulfils any of the requirements of this Article, that information *may* be included in, or attached to, the application.

2. Where information supplied in accordance with the requirements provided for in Council Directive 85/337/EEC or a safety report prepared in accordance with Council Directive 82/501/EEC of 24 June 1982 on the major-accident hazards of certain industrial activities or other information produced in response to other legislation fulfils any of the requirements of this Article, that information **shall** be included in, or attached to, the application.

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(Amendment 24)

Article 9(4)

4. Without prejudice to Article 10, the emission limit values and the equivalent parameters and technical measures referred to in paragraph 3 shall be based on the best available techniques, without prescribing the use of any technique or specific technology, but *taking* into account the technical characteristics of the installation concerned, *its geographical location and the local environmental conditions*. In all circumstances, the conditions of the permit shall contain provisions on the minimization of long-distance or transboundary pollution and ensure a high level of protection for the environment as a whole.

4. Without prejudice to Article 10, the emission limit values and the equivalent parameters and technical measures referred to in paragraph 3 shall be based on the best available techniques, without prescribing the use of any technique or specific technology, but **may, where appropriate, take** into account the technical characteristics of the installation concerned. In all circumstances, the conditions of the permit shall contain provisions on the minimization of **the emission of the polluting substances referred to in Annex III and** of long-distance or transboundary pollution and ensure a high level of protection for the environment as a whole.

(Amendment 28)

Article 13(1)

1. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that competent authorities periodically reconsider and, *where necessary, update* permit conditions.

1. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that competent authorities periodically, and **at the latest 10 years after the start-up of the installation and thereafter at least once every five years**, reconsider permit conditions **with a view to updating the permit. Where a permit is updated for one of the reasons set out in paragraph 2, the five-year period shall run from the date of the updating of the permit.**

(Amendment 30)

Article 15(1), first subparagraph

1. Without prejudice to Council Directive 90/313/EEC of 7 June 1990 on the freedom of access to information on the environment, Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that applications for permits for new installations or for substantial changes are made available for an appropriate period of time to the public, to enable it to comment on them before the competent authority reaches its decision.

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(Amendment 32)

*Article 18a (new)***Article 18a****Other protective measures**

1. **This Directive shall not prevent any Member State from maintaining or introducing more stringent protective measures compatible with Community legislation. Those measures shall be notified to the Commission.**

2. **Member States may take other protection measures than those prescribed in this Directive, on condition that these measures are compatible with existing Community legislation. They may in particular:**

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- **define areas which are particularly polluted or which should be specially protected and forbid the construction of certain categories of installations or make their operation subject to considerations additional to the requirement to use the best available techniques;**
 - **use economic instruments where appropriate;**
 - **require categories of installations, in addition to those listed in Annex I, to be subject to the provisions of this Directive;**
 - **consider other substances and preparations, in addition to those listed in Annex III, as polluting substances.**
- 3. Member States shall notify the Commission of the measures which have been adopted in application of this Article. On the basis of this information the Commission shall consider the need for harmonization of these measures and make appropriate proposals to the Council.**

(Amendment 33)

Article 19

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

The representative of the Commission shall submit to the committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. The opinion shall be *delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148(2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The chairman shall not vote.*

The Commission shall *adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the committee.*

If the measures are not in accordance with the opinion of the committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall, without delay, submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, on the expiry of a period of three months from the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the proposal measures shall be adopted by the Commission.

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of **an advisory nature** composed of the representatives of Member States and chaired by **a representative of the Commission.**

The representative of the Commission shall submit to the committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft **of the measures to be taken** within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter, **if necessary by taking a vote.**

The opinion shall be **recorded in the minutes; in addition, each Member State shall have the right to ask to have its position recorded in the minutes.**

The Commission shall **take the utmost account of the opinion delivered by the committee. It shall inform the committee of the manner in which its opinion has been taken into account.**

(Amendment 34)

Article 20(3), third subparagraph

Acting on a proposal from the Commission, the Council shall, where necessary, amend the relevant provisions of the Directives referred to in Annex II in order to adapt them to the requirements of this Directive before the date of repeal of Directive 84/360/EEC, referred to in the first subparagraph.

Acting on a proposal from the Commission, the Council **and the European Parliament** shall, where necessary, amend the relevant provisions of the Directives referred to in Annex II in order to adapt them to the requirements of this Directive before the date of repeal of Directive 84/360/EEC, referred to in the first subparagraph.

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(Amendment 35)

Annex I, introduction, (1)

1. *Installations or parts of installations used for research, development and testing of new products and processes are not covered by this Directive.*

1. **This Directive excludes research facilities dealing only or mostly with research, and installations where for a maximum period of one year new processes, substances, fuels or products are developed or tested.**

(Amendment 37)

Annex I(2.4)

2.4. Ferrous metal foundries with a production capacity exceeding 20 tonnes per day.

2.4. Ferrous metal foundries with a production capacity exceeding **50** tonnes per day.

(Amendment 54)

Annex I(2.6)

2.6. Installations for surface treatment of metals and plastic materials using an electrolytic or chemical process where the volume of the *treatment vats exceeds 30 m³*.

2.6. Installations for surface treatment of metals and plastic materials using an electrolytic or chemical process where the volume of the **containers for the treatment (coating/stripping/ conversion) exceeds 100 m³, and more than 5 m³ of purified procedure water is produced per hour with the limit values for metals in accordance with the list.**

(Amendment 39)

Annex I(3.5)

3.5. Installations for the manufacture of ceramic products by *burning* in particular roofing tiles, bricks, refractory bricks, tiles, stoneware or porcelain, with a production capacity exceeding 75 tonnes per day, and/or with a kiln *capacity* exceeding 4 m³ and *exceeding a loading density of 300 kg/m³*.

3.5. Installations for the manufacture of ceramic products by **firing** in particular roofing tiles, bricks, refractory bricks, tiles, stoneware or porcelain, with a production capacity **per kiln** exceeding 75 tonnes per day, and with a **setting** density **per kiln** exceeding 300 kg/m³.

(Amendment 57)

Annex I(6.4)(c)

(c) treatment and processing of milk, the quantity of milk received being greater than 200 tonnes per day (average value on an annual basis).

(c) treatment and processing of milk, the quantity of milk received being greater than **500** tonnes per day (average value on an annual basis).

(Amendment 42)

Annex I(6.7)

6.7. Installations for the surface treatment of substances, objects or products using organic solvents, in particular for dressing, printing, coating, degreasing, waterproofing, sizing, painting, cleaning or impregnating, with a *consumption capacity* of more than 150 kg per hour or more than 200 tonnes per year.

6.7. Installations for the surface treatment of substances, objects or products using organic solvents, in particular for dressing, printing, coating, degreasing, waterproofing, sizing, painting, cleaning or impregnating, with a **solvent input** of more than 150 kg per hour or more than 200 tonnes per year.

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(Amendment 44)

Annex III, Air (9a) (new)

9a. Bromine and its compounds

(Amendment 46)

Annex III, Water (12a) (new)

12a. Surfactant substances

(Amendment 49)

Annex IV, introduction

Considerations to be taken into account generally *or in specific cases* when determining best available techniques, as defined in Article 2(11), bearing in mind *the likely costs and benefits of a measure and* the principles of precaution and prevention:

Considerations to be taken into account generally when determining best available techniques, as defined in Article 2(11), bearing in mind the principles of precaution and prevention:

(Amendment 52)

Annex IV (8a) (new)

8a. the costs and benefits of a measure;

9. Disposal of PCB/PCT **II

A4-0140/96

Decision on the common position established by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Council Directive on the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls and polychlorinated terphenyls (PCB/PCT) (C4-0095/96 – 00/0161(SYN))

(Cooperation procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the common position of the Council, C4-0095/96 – 00/0161(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to its opinion at first reading ⁽²⁾ on the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(88)0559 ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to the amended Commission proposal, COM(91)0373 – 00/0161(SYN) ⁽⁴⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 189C of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0140/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 87, 25.3.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 149, 18.6.1990, p. 150 and OJ C 19, 28.1.1991, p. 83.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 319, 12.12.1988, p. 57.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 299, 20.11.1991, p. 9.

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1. Amends the common position as follows;
2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission.

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(Amendment 5)

Recital 3a (new)

(3a) Whereas there is a need to fund research into other methods of disposal of PCBs and PCTs and other persistent organic chlorines, in particular methods involving bacterial biodegradation and pretreatment using chlorine extraction and innovative dehalogenation chemical processes;

(Amendment 2)

Recital 8

(8) Whereas Council Directive 75/439/EEC of 16 June 1975 on the disposal of waste oils lays down 50 ppm as the maximum limit for the PCB or PCT content of regenerated oils or oils used as fuel;

(8) Whereas Council Directive 75/439/EEC of 16 June 1975 on the disposal of waste oils lays down 50 ppm as the maximum limit for the PCB or PCT content of regenerated oils or oils used as fuel; **whereas, having regard to technical progress, this limit should be reduced to 20 ppm for mixtures to be used as combustibles including waste oil;**

(Amendment 3)

Article 3

Without prejudice to their international obligations, Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that used PCBs are disposed of and PCBs and equipment containing PCBs are decontaminated or disposed of as soon as possible. For the equipment and the PCBs contained therein, which are subject to inventory in accordance with Article 4(1), decontamination and/or disposal shall be effected at the latest by the end of 2010.

Without prejudice to their international obligations, Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that used PCBs are disposed of and PCBs and equipment containing PCBs are decontaminated or disposed of as soon as possible. **Member States shall ensure that compliance with these provisions is monitored and that violations thereof are effectively penalized.** For the equipment and the PCBs contained therein, which are subject to inventory in accordance with Article 4(1), decontamination and/or disposal shall be effected at the latest by the end of 2010.

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10. Telecommunications ***I

(a) A4-0142/96

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive on a common framework for general authorizations and individual licences in the field of telecommunications services (COM(95)0545 – C4-0089/96 – 95/0282(COD))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

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BY THE COMMISSION (*)

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(Amendment 1)

Recitals 2a and 2b (new)

2a. Whereas Member States will have to guarantee the independence of the national regulatory authorities by meeting the following conditions:

- the national regulatory authorities will be legally separate from and functionally independent of all organizations supplying telecommunications networks, equipment and/or services; they shall be in possession of all necessary resources, in terms of staffing, expertise, and financial means to fulfil their mission with complete autonomy;
- Member States which maintain ownership of, or a significant degree of control over, organizations which supply telecommunications networks, equipment and/or services shall ensure that there is an effective structural separation between the regulatory functions and the activities associated with exercising rights of ownership and of control;

2b. Whereas national regulatory authorities play a crucial role in facilitating and stimulating competition in the telecommunications market and therefore need to play an active role in the identification and analysis of market distortions;

(Amendment 2)

Recital 5

5. Whereas this Directive therefore will make a significant contribution to the entry of new operators into the market, as part of the development of the information society;

5. Whereas this Directive therefore will make a significant contribution to the entry of new operators into the market, as part of the development of the information society, **bearing in mind that major obstacles still exist for new operators in the sectors that have already been open to competition, as well as in those member countries where national schemes of liberalization of telecommunications have been implemented, such as the differentiated tariff policy of the incumbent operator, the delay in introducing of number portability, insufficient transparency and high costs for interconnection, and the lack of an asymmetrical treatment;**

(*) OJ C 90, 27.3.1996, p. 5.

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(Amendment 3)

Recital 5a (new)

5a. Whereas such asymmetrical treatment is not justified when newcomers have all the characteristics necessary for a rapid entry on to the market, such as significant financial resources or a dominant position on a protected market other than that for telecommunications, or a consistent customer base, nor where the market provides economic alternatives to using the resources of a dominant operator;

(Amendment 4)

Recital 12

12. Whereas Member States should be allowed to impose specific conditions on undertakings providing public telecommunications networks and telecommunications services because of their market power; *whereas the market power of an undertaking depends on a number of factors including its share of the relevant product market or service market in the relevant geographical market, its turnover relative to the size of the market, its ability to influence market conditions, its control of the means of access to end-users, its access to financial resources, and its experience in providing products and services in the market; whereas, for the purpose of this Directive, an undertaking with a share of more than 25% of a particular telecommunications market in the geographical area in a Member State within which it is authorized to operate would be presumed to enjoy significant market power, unless its national regulatory authority determined, in accordance with the Community competition rules, that this was not the case; whereas, for an undertaking falling below this threshold market share, the national regulatory authority may nevertheless, albeit only for the purposes of applying the provisions of European Parliament and Council Directive ... on interconnection to public telecommunications networks and public telecommunications services in the context of Open Network Provision (ONP), determine that the undertaking enjoyed significant market power;*

12. Whereas Member States should be allowed to impose specific conditions on undertakings providing public telecommunications networks and telecommunications services because of their market power, the market power of an undertaking **being defined by** the provisions of European Parliament and Council Directive ... on interconnection to public telecommunications networks and public telecommunications services in the context of Open Network Provision (ONP);

(Amendment 5)

Recital 13

13. Whereas telecommunications services have a role to play in strengthening social and economic cohesion, inter alia by furthering the achievement of universal service, in particular in remote, peripheral, landlocked and rural areas and islands; whereas Member States should therefore be allowed to impose *universal service* obligations by means of individual licences;

13. Whereas telecommunications services have a role to play in strengthening social and economic cohesion, inter alia by furthering the achievement of universal service, in particular in remote, peripheral, landlocked and rural areas and islands; whereas Member States should therefore be allowed to impose obligations **to provide the universal service** by means of individual licences; **whereas obligations to contribute to the financing of the universal service are not a justification for imposing individual licences;**

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(Amendment 6)

Recital 19

19. Whereas the functioning of this Directive should be reviewed in due course; in the light of the development of the telecommunications sector and of trans-European networks, as well as in the light of experience gained from the harmonization and one-stop-shopping procedures set out in this Directive;

19. Whereas the functioning of this Directive should be reviewed in due course; in the light of the development of the telecommunications sector and of trans-European networks, as well as in the light of experience gained from the harmonization and one-stop-shopping procedures set out in this Directive; **whereas it seems reasonable that, when this Directive is reviewed, the possibility of the creation of a European regulatory authority is considered;**

(Amendment 7)

Article 1

This Directive concerns the procedures associated with the granting of authorizations and the conditions attached to such authorizations, for the purpose of providing telecommunications services.

This Directive concerns the procedures associated with the granting of authorizations and the conditions attached to such authorizations, for the purpose of providing telecommunications services **and for the establishment and/or operation of any infrastructure for the provision of telecommunications services.**

(Amendment 8)

Article 2(1)(b)

(b) 'national regulatory authority' means the body or bodies, legally distinct and functionally independent of the telecommunications organizations, charged by a Member State with the granting of, and supervision of compliance with, authorizations;

(b) 'national regulatory authority' means the body or bodies, legally distinct and functionally independent of the telecommunications organizations, charged by a Member State with the granting of, and supervision of compliance with, authorizations. **The national regulatory authority shall be legally separate from and functionally independent of all organizations supplying telecommunications networks, equipment and/or services; they shall be in possession of all necessary resources, in terms of staffing, expertise and financial means to fulfil their duties with complete autonomy; Member States which maintain ownership of, or a significant degree of control over, organizations which supply telecommunications networks, equipment or services shall ensure that there is an effective structural separation between the regulatory functions and the activities associated with exercising rights of ownership and activities of control;**

(Amendment 9)

Article 2(1)(e)

(e) 'telecommunications services' means services whose provision consists wholly or partly in the transmission and/or routing of signals on telecommunications networks;

(e) 'telecommunications services' means services whose provision consists wholly or partly in the transmission and/or routing of signals on telecommunications networks. **This Directive does not apply to radio and television broadcasting;**

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(Amendment 10)

Article 2(1)(g)

(g) 'universal service' means a defined minimum service or set of services of specified quality which is accessible to all users everywhere and, *in the light of specific national conditions*, at an affordable price.

(g) 'universal service' means a defined minimum service or set of services of specified quality which is accessible to all users everywhere and at an affordable price.

(Amendment 11)

Article 4(2)

2. Member States shall ensure that the conditions attached to general authorizations are published in an appropriate manner so as to provide easy access to that information for interested parties. Reference to the publication of this information shall be made in the national official gazette of the Member State concerned.

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(Amendment 12)

Article 5(4)

4. Member States shall ensure that the information concerning the procedures relating to general authorizations is published in an appropriate manner, so as to provide easy access to that information. Reference to the publication of this information shall be made in the national official gazette of the Member State concerned.

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(Amendments 13, 36 and 39)

Article 7(1)

1. Member States may, in addition to conditions attached to general authorizations *for the telecommunications services, including those services mentioned in Annex II*, require individual licences imposing conditions as listed in Annex I, point 4, but only for the following purposes:

- (a) to allow the licensee access to specific radio frequencies or numbers;
- (b) to give the licensee particular rights with regard to access to public or private land;
- (c) to grant the licensee rights to provide public telecommunications infrastructure between the Community and third countries;
- (d) to impose obligations on the licensee relating to the mandatory provision of public telecommunications services;
- (e) to impose specific obligations, in conformity with Community competition rules, where the licensee has

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- (b) to give the licensee particular rights with regard to access to public or private land;
- (c) to grant the licensee rights to provide public telecommunications infrastructure **and telephone services** between the Community and third countries;
- (d) to impose obligations **and requirements** on the licensee relating to **the consideration of regional planning and environmental aspects** and the mandatory provision of public telecommunications services **as defined in Annex I, points 4.5 and 4.8**;
- (e) to impose specific obligations, in conformity with Community competition rules, where the licensee has

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significant market power in relation to the provision of public telecommunications networks and telecommunications services.

significant market power **as defined by the provisions of European Parliament and Council Directive ... on interconnection to public telecommunications networks and public telecommunications services in the context of Open Network Provision** in relation to the provision of public telecommunications networks and telecommunications services.

(Amendment 14)

Article 7(2)

2. Undertakings wishing to provide services which are not yet covered by a general authorization and which cannot be provided without authorization, or wishing to enjoy additional rights not granted by the applicable general authorization, *may apply for an individual licence*.

2. **National regulatory authorities must within two weeks grant a temporary individual licence to undertakings** wishing to provide services which are not yet covered by a general authorization and which cannot be provided without authorization, or wishing to enjoy additional rights not granted by the applicable general authorization, **or prove that the service has to be subject to an individual licence procedure for the purposes of paragraph 1. Member States shall lay down an appropriate procedure for appealing against a negative decision to an institution independent of the national regulatory authority.**

(Amendment 15)

Article 7(3)

3. In the situations addressed in paragraph 2 Member States shall, *as rapidly as possible*, either consent to the provision of the service concerned or the establishment and/or operation of infrastructure concerned without authorization, or grant the relevant general authorizations in accordance with Section II.

3. In the situations addressed in paragraph 2 Member States shall, **within one month**, either consent to the provision of the service concerned or the establishment and/or operation of infrastructure concerned without authorization, or grant the relevant general authorizations in accordance with Section II.

(Amendment 16)

Article 9(3), second indent

— it shall set reasonable time limits; inter alia it shall communicate to the applicant a decision on the application as soon as possible but not later than six weeks after it has received the application.

— it shall set reasonable time limits; inter alia it shall communicate to the applicant a decision on the application as soon as possible but not later than six weeks after it has received the application. **Extension is possible in situations that are set out in advance, in particular to ensure transparency and coordination with other Member States.**

(Amendment 17)

Article 10(1)

1. Member States may a priori limit the number of individual licences for any category of telecommunications services, only to the extent required to ensure the efficient use of radio frequencies and in conformity with Community competition rules.

1. Member States may a priori limit the number of individual licences for any category of telecommunications services, **and for the establishment and/or operation of telecommunications infrastructure**, only to the extent required to ensure the efficient use of radio frequencies and in conformity with Community competition rules.

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(Amendment 18)

Article 10(2), introduction

2. Where a Member State *intends* to limit the number of individual licences granted, it shall:

2. Where a Member State **is entitled by virtue of the preceding paragraph** to limit the number of individual licences granted, it shall:

(Amendment 19)

Article 10(4)

4. Where a Member State finds, *either on its own initiative or following a request by an undertaking, either at the time of entry into force of this Directive or at a later time*, that the number of individual licences can be increased, it shall publish this fact and invite applications for additional licences.

4. **Member States shall periodically review whether any opportunities exist to increase the availability of frequencies. They shall inform the Commission every two years on the situation and any measures taken.** Where a Member State finds that the number of individual licences can be increased, it shall publish this fact and invite applications for additional licences.

(Amendment 20)

Article 11, second paragraph

In addition, where resources are scarce, Member States may allow their national regulatory authorities to impose, in a non-discriminatory manner, a fee for the granting of an individual licence. This fee shall reflect the need for the optimal use of this resource as well as for the introduction and development of innovative services and competition.

In addition, where resources are scarce **as defined in Article 7(1)(a) and (b)**, Member States may allow their national regulatory authorities to impose, in a non-discriminatory manner, a fee for the granting of an individual licence. This fee shall reflect the need for the optimal use of this resource as well as for the introduction and development of innovative services and competition.

(Amendment 21)

Article 13, Title

Coordination of authorization procedures

Coordination of **general** authorization procedures **and individual licence procedures***(Article 13 to be moved and placed after Article 15)*

(Amendment 22)

Article 13(1)

1. An undertaking intending to provide a telecommunications service or to establish a telecommunications infrastructure in more than one Member State *may request the national regulatory authorities concerned to coordinate their authorizations procedures in order to issue the necessary authorizations* on substantially the same conditions.

1. **Pending harmonization on the basis of Article 14, the national regulatory authority concerned shall allow derogations to their general authorizations at the request of** an undertaking intending to provide a telecommunications service or to establish a telecommunications infrastructure in more than one Member State **in order to enable the undertaking to operate in the Member States concerned** on substantially the same conditions.

(Amendment 23)

Article 14, Title

Harmonization

Harmonization **of general authorizations and procedures**

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(Amendment 24)

Article 14(2), first subparagraph

2. Wherever necessary, the conditions attached to general authorizations for the provision of the telecommunications services listed in Annex II, the procedures for the grant of general authorizations and individual licences, and the setting of fees shall be harmonized.

2. Wherever necessary, **with a view to ensuring light-handed regulation**, the conditions attached to general authorizations for the provision of the telecommunications services listed in Annex II, the procedures for the grant of general authorizations and individual licences, and the setting of fees shall be harmonized.

(Amendment 25)

Article 14(4)

4. The provisions of paragraph 3 shall lapse on 1 January 2001, unless the Commission has proposed to maintain or to modify it in the report referred to in Article 22.

4. The provisions of paragraph 3 shall lapse on 1 January **2000**, unless the Commission has proposed to maintain or to modify it in the report referred to in Article 22.

(Amendment 26)

Article 16

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of *representatives* of the national regulatory authorities of the *Member States* and chaired by a representative of the Commission. The Committee shall be called the European Union Telecommunications Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the Committee').

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of **one representative** of the national regulatory authorities **per Member State** and chaired by **the** representative of the Commission. The Committee shall be called the European Union Telecommunications Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the Committee').

(Amendment 27)

Article 17(1), third subparagraph a (new)

Meetings of the committee shall be held in public except in the case of a specific decision to the contrary, duly argued and published in good time. The committee shall publish its agendas two weeks in advance of meetings. It shall publish the minutes of its meetings. It shall draw up a public register of declarations of the interests of its members.

(Amendment 28)

Article 20(3)

3. At the request of a Member State or on its own initiative the Commission *shall* examine any conditions, criteria and/or procedures set out in a national authorization, in particular with regard to the justifiability of the measures and their compliance with the principle of proportionality. The Commission shall, within one month of receipt of a request and following the procedure set out in Article 17, decide whether the Member State may continue to apply the measure. The Commission shall communicate its decision to the Council and to the Member States.

3. At the request of a Member State or on its own initiative the Commission **may** examine **at any time** any conditions, criteria and/or procedures set out in a national authorization, in particular with regard to the justifiability of the measures and their compliance with the principle of proportionality. The Commission shall, within one month of receipt of a request and following the procedure set out in Article 17, decide whether the Member State may continue to apply the measure. The Commission shall communicate its decision to the Council and to the Member States.

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(Amendment 29)

Article 21

Member States shall make all necessary efforts to bring authorizations in force at the date of entry into force of this Directive into line with its provisions before *1 January 1999*. Obligations which have not been brought into line by that date with the provisions of this Directive shall be inoperative. Where justified, Member States may be granted by the Commission, upon request, a deferment of the provisions of this Article.

Member States shall make all necessary efforts to bring authorizations in force at the date of entry into force of this Directive into line with its provisions before **1 July 1998**. Obligations which have not been brought into line by that date with the provisions of this Directive shall be inoperative. Where justified, Member States may be granted by the Commission, upon request, a deferment of the provisions of this Article.

(Amendment 30)

Article 22(2)

2. Before 1 January 2000 the Commission will review whether an amendment of the provisions of this Directive is necessary, on the basis of a report to be supplied to the European Parliament and Council. The report shall include an assessment, on the basis of the experience gained, of the need for further development of the regulatory structures as regards authorizations, in particular in relation to harmonization and to trans-European services and networks.

2. Before 1 January 2000 the Commission will review whether an amendment of the provisions of this Directive is necessary, on the basis of a report to be supplied to the European Parliament and Council. The report shall include an assessment, on the basis of the experience gained, of the need for further development of the regulatory structures as regards authorizations, in particular in relation to harmonization and to trans-European services and networks, **the institutional arrangements, as well as numbering plans and number portability**.

(Amendment 31)

Article 24

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 1 July 1997. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive **and publish the conditions and procedures attached to authorizations** by 1 July 1997. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt these provisions, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The procedure for such reference shall be adopted by Member States.

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2. *Member States shall notify to the Commission a list of representatives to the European Union Telecommunications Committee not later than two months after publication of this Directive.*

Deleted

(Amendment 32)

Annex I(4.5a.) (new)

(4.5a.) Compliance with substantive obligations concerning coverage of low population areas in particular.

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(Amendment 33)

Annex I(4.6.)

(4.6) Conditions applied to operators having a significant market position, as notified by Member States under the Directive on interconnection, aiming at ensuring interconnection or *specific monitoring requirements*.

(4.6) Conditions applied to operators having a significant market position, as notified by Member States under the Directive on interconnection, aiming at ensuring interconnection or **the control of significant market power**.

(Amendment 34)

Annex I(4.9a.) (new)

(4.9a.) Specific conditions related to the supply of leased lines in conformity with Directive 92/44/EEC as modified by Directive 96/.../EC amending Council Directives 90/387/EEC and 92/44/EEC for the purpose of adaptation to a competitive environment in telecommunications.

(Amendment 35)

Annex I(4.9b.) (new)

(4.9b.) In the countries where such requirements already apply to the owners of exclusive or special rights at the time of the entry into force of this Directive, contribution by the holder towards telecommunications research and training.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive on a common framework for general authorizations and individual licences in the field of telecommunications services (COM(95)0545 – C4-0089/96 – 95/0282(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(95)0545 – 95/0282(COD) (1),
- having regard to Articles 189b(2), 57(2), 66 and 100a of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C4-0089/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Transport and Tourism (A4-0142/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;

(1) OJ C 90, 27.3.1996, p. 5.

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3. Calls on the Council to incorporate Parliament's amendments in the common position that it adopts in accordance with Article 189b(2) of the EC Treaty;
4. Should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament, calls on the Council to notify Parliament and requests that the conciliation procedure be initiated;
5. Points out that the Commission is required to submit to Parliament any modification it may intend to make to its proposal as amended by Parliament;
6. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

(b) A4-0144/96

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Council Directives 90/387/EEC and 92/44/EEC for the purpose of adaptation to a competitive environment in telecommunications (COM(95)0543 – C4-0001/96 – 95/0280(COD))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

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(Amendment 1)

Recital 10

10. Whereas the market power of an organization depends on a number of factors, including its share of the relevant product or service market in the relevant geographical market, its turnover relative to the size of the market, its ability to influence market conditions, its control of the means of access to end-users, its access to financial resources, its experience in providing products and services in the market; whereas, for the purpose of this Directive, an organization with a share of more than 25% of the relevant leased lines market in the geographical area in a Member State within which it is authorized to operate would be presumed to enjoy significant market power, unless its national regulatory authority determined that this was not the case; whereas an organization falling below this threshold market share should not be regarded as enjoying significant market power, unless this can clearly be demonstrated to be the case;

10. Whereas the market power of an organization depends on a number of factors, including its share of the relevant product or service market in the relevant geographical market, its turnover relative to the size of the market, its ability to influence market conditions, its control of the means of access to end-users, its access to financial resources, its experience in providing products and services in the market; whereas, for the purpose of this Directive, an organization with a share of more than 25% of the relevant leased lines market in the geographical area in a Member State within which it is authorized to operate would be presumed to enjoy significant market power, unless its national regulatory authority determined that this was not the case; whereas an organization falling below this threshold market share should not be regarded as enjoying significant market power, unless this can clearly be demonstrated to be the case **and whereas, when alternative and competitive market access solutions exist, the presumption that an organization enjoys significant market power may be set aside;**

(Amendment 2)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 2(3), first indent (Directive 90/387/EEC)

3. — 'telecommunications services' means services whose provision consists wholly or partly in the transmission and/or routing of signals on telecommunications networks;

3. — 'telecommunications services' means services whose provision consists wholly or partly in the transmission and/or routing of signals on telecommunications networks **with the exception of radio broadcasting or television;**

(*) OJ C 62, 1.3.1996, p. 3.

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(Amendment 3)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 2(4) (Directive 90/387/EEC)

4. 'universal service' means a defined minimum service or set of services of specified quality which is accessible to all users everywhere and, *in the light of specific national conditions*, at an affordable price.

4. 'universal service' means a defined minimum service or set of services of specified quality which is accessible to all users everywhere and at an affordable price.

(Amendment 4)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 2(6) (Directive 90/387/EEC)

6. 'essential requirements' means the non-economic reasons in the general interest which may cause a Member State to restrict access to public telecommunications networks or public telecommunications services. These reasons are security of network operations, maintenance of network integrity and, in justified cases, interoperability of services and data protection.

6. 'essential requirements' means the non-economic reasons in the general interest which may cause a Member State to restrict access to public telecommunications networks or public telecommunications services. These reasons are security of network operations, maintenance of network integrity, **protection of the environment or town planning**, and, in justified cases, interoperability of services and data protection;

Data protection *may include* protection of personal data, the confidentiality of information transmitted or stored as well as the protection of privacy;

6a. 'data protection' **means** protection of personal data, the confidentiality **or authentication** of information transmitted or stored as well as the protection of privacy;

(Amendment 6)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 2(7) (Directive 90/387/EEC)

7. 'interconnection' means the physical and logical linking of the facilities of organizations providing telecommunications networks and/or telecommunications services, in order to allow the users of one organization to communicate with users of another organization, or to access services provided by another organization;

7. 'interconnection' means the physical and logical linking of the facilities of organizations providing telecommunications networks and/or telecommunications services **for the public**, in order to allow the users of one organization to communicate with users of another organization **of the same type**, or to access services provided by another organization **of the same type**;

(Amendment 7)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 2(8), second subparagraph, first indent (Directive 90/387/EEC)

— technical interfaces, including the definition and implementation of network termination points, where required,

— technical interfaces, including the definition and implementation of network **interconnection and** termination points, where required,

(Amendment 9)

ARTICLE 1(6)

Article 5a(2), first indent (Directive 90/387/EEC)

— national regulatory authorities shall be legally distinct from, and functionally independent of, all organizations supplying telecommunications networks, equipment or services;

— national regulatory authorities shall be legally distinct from, and functionally independent of, all organizations supplying telecommunications networks, equipment or services; **they shall be in possession of all necessary resources in terms of staffing, expertise and financial means to fulfil their mission in complete autonomy**;

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(Amendment 8)

ARTICLE 1(7)

Articles 6 and 7 (Directive 90/387/EEC)

7. Articles 6 and 7 are *deleted*.7. Articles 6 and 7 are **replaced by the following:**

'The Commission shall, before 30 September 1996, draw up a draft Directive of the European Parliament and the Council on the costing and financing of universal service.'

(Amendment 10)

ARTICLE 1(8)

Article 8 (Directive 90/387/EEC)

The Commission shall examine and report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the functioning of this Directive, on the first occasion not later than 31 December 1999. The report shall be based *inter alia* on the information provided by the Member States to the Commission and to the ONP Committee. Where necessary, further measures can be proposed in the report for *adapting this Directive, taking account of developments towards a fully competitive environment*.

The Commission shall examine and report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the functioning of this Directive, on the first occasion not later than 31 December 1999. The report shall be based *inter alia* on the information provided by the Member States to the Commission and to the ONP Committee. Where necessary, **the report shall examine what provisions of this Directive together with other Community Directives relating to the implementation of ONP provisions and to the new regulatory environment for telecommunications should be adapted in the light of the developments in the market.** Further measures can be proposed in the report for **the full implementation of the aims of these Directives, which shall take the form of a proposal for a single consolidated text; in particular, the report shall examine the possibility of establishing a European Regulatory Authority.**

(Amendment 19)

ARTICLE 1(9)

Article 9(1), second paragraph (Directive 90/387/EEC)

(9) *In the second paragraph of Article 9(1), 'telecommunications organizations' is replaced by 'organizations providing public telecommunications networks and/or public telecommunications services'.*

(9) Article 9(1) is **replaced by the following text:**

'1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of the representatives of the national regulatory authorities and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

The committee shall, in particular, consult the representatives of the organizations providing public telecommunications networks and/or public telecommunications services, the users, the consumers, the trade unions, the manufacturers and the service providers. It shall draw up its rules of procedure.

The committee, to be known as the ONP Committee, shall constitute a subcommittee of the EUTC Committee, into which it will subsequently be integrated.'

(Amendment 12)

ARTICLE 2(3)

Article 2(2), first indent (Directive 92/44/EEC)

— 'leased lines' means the telecommunications facilities which provide for transparent transmission capacity

— 'leased lines' means the telecommunications facilities which provide for transparent transmission capacity

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between network termination points and which do not include on-demand switching (switching functions which the user can control as part of the leased line provision),

between network termination points and which do not include on-demand switching (switching functions which the user can control as part of the leased line provision) **or the fixed public telephone network whose transmission capacities are governed by the ONP interconnection and ONP voice telephony Directives,**

(Amendment 13)

ARTICLE 2(10)(b)

Article 10(4) (Directive 92/44/EEC)

4. The national regulatory authority shall not apply the requirements of paragraph 1 where an organization does not have significant market power in respect of a specific leased line offering in a *specific* geographical area.

4. The national regulatory authority shall not apply the requirements of paragraph 1 where an organization does not have significant market power in respect of a specific leased line offering in a **significant** geographical area, **the market power of an undertaking being defined by the provisions of European Parliament and Council Directive ... on interconnection to public telecommunications networks and public telecommunications services in the context of Open Network Provision (ONP).**

(Amendment 14)

ARTICLE 2(12)

Article 14 (Directive 92/44/EEC)

The Commission shall examine and report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the functioning of this Directive, on the first occasion not later than 31 December 1999. The report shall be based *inter alia* on the information provided by the Member States to the Commission and to the ONP Committee. Where necessary, further measures can be proposed in the report for *adapting this Directive, taking account of developments towards a fully competitive environment.*

The Commission shall examine and report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the functioning of this Directive, on the first occasion not later than 31 December 1999. The report shall be based *inter alia* on the information provided by the Member States to the Commission and to the ONP Committee. Where necessary, **the report shall examine what provisions of this Directive together with other Community Directives relating to the implementation of ONP provisions and to the new regulatory environment for telecommunications should be adapted in the light of the developments in the market.** Further measures can be proposed in the report for **the full implementation of the aims of these Directives, which shall take the form of a proposal for a single consolidated text; in particular, the report shall examine the possibility of establishing a European Regulatory Authority.**

(Amendment 15)

ARTICLE 4

This Directive shall enter into force on the *twentieth* day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

This Directive shall enter into force on the **seventh** day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities. **The Commission shall ensure the publication before 1 July 1997 of a consolidated version of Directives 90/387/EEC and 92/44/EEC as modified by this Directive together with other Community Directives relating to the implementation of ONP provisions and to the new regulatory environment for telecommunications to be introduced on 1 January 1998.**

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(Amendment 16)

ANNEX I(3), second paragraph, third indent

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — in order to leave users a choice between the <i>individual service elements</i> and where technology so permits, tariffs must be sufficiently unbundled in accordance with the competition rules of the Treaty. In particular, additional features introduced to provide certain specific extra services must, as a general rule, be charged independently of the inclusive features and transportation as such, | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — in order to leave users a choice between the service components and where technology so permits, tariffs must be sufficiently unbundled in accordance with the competition rules of the Treaty. In particular, additional features introduced to provide certain specific extra services must, as a general rule, be charged independently of the inclusive features and transportation as such, |
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(Amendment 17)

ANNEX I(3), second paragraph, fourth indent

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — tariffs must be non-discriminatory and guarantee equality of treatment. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — tariffs must be non-discriminatory and guarantee equality of treatment except for restrictions which are compatible with Community law. |
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(Amendment 18)

ANNEX I(3), third paragraph

Any charge for access to network resources or services must comply with the principles set out above and with the competition rules of the Treaty and must also take into account the principle of fair sharing in the *global* cost of the resources used and the need for a reasonable level of return on investment.

Any charge for access to network resources or services must comply with the principles set out above and with the competition rules of the Treaty and must also take into account the principle of fair sharing in the **net** cost of the resources used and the need for a reasonable level of return on investment.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Council Directives 90/387/EEC and 92/44/EEC for the purpose of adaptation to a competitive environment in telecommunications (COM(95)0543 — C4-0001/96 — 95/0280(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council, COM(95)0543 — 95/0280(COD) ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to Articles 189b(2) and 100a of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C4-0001/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy and the opinion of the Committee on Transport and Tourism (A4-0144/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 62, 1.3.1996, p. 3.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;
3. Calls on the Council to incorporate Parliament's amendments in the common position that it adopts in accordance with Article 189b(2) of the EC Treaty;
4. Should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament, calls on the Council to notify Parliament and requests that the conciliation procedure be initiated;
5. Points out that the Commission is required to submit to Parliament any modification it may intend to make to its proposal as amended by Parliament;
6. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

11. Protection of financial interests *

(a) A4-0130/96

Draft Council act drawing up the Protocol to the Convention on the protection of the Communities' financial interests and draft protocol, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, to the Convention on the Protection of the European Communities' financial interests (officials and Members) (C4-0607/95 – 12549/95 – 96/0902(CNS))

The draft was approved with the following amendments:

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(Amendment 1)	
<i>Title</i>	
Draft Council Act drawing up <i>the Protocol to the Convention on the protection of the Communities' financial interests</i>	Draft Council Act drawing up the Convention on corruption to the detriment of the European Communities <i>(This amendment applies throughout the two texts)</i>
(Amendment 2)	
<i>Recital 3</i>	
Whereas, as a second stage, <i>this</i> Convention needs to be supplemented by a <i>protocol</i> directed in particular at acts of corruption that involve national and European officials and that damage or are likely to damage the European Communities' <i>financial</i> interests;	Whereas, as a second stage, the Convention of 26 July 1995 needs to be supplemented by a convention directed in particular at acts of corruption that involve national and European officials and that damage or are likely to damage the European Communities' interests;
(Amendment 3)	
<i>Recital 3a (new)</i>	
	Whereas measures also need to be taken against acts of bribery by or against other persons who are employed by or work for the European Communities;

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(Amendment 4)

Title

Draft Protocol, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, *to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests*

Convention, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, **on corruption to the detriment of the European Communities**

(Amendment 5)

Article 1(1), 2nd subparagraph (new) and (2)

2. 'Convention' shall mean: the Convention drawn up in Brussels on 26 July 1995 on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests (*Official Journal of the European Communities*, ... 1995).

Persons working for, or holding managerial posts with, the EIB, the ESCB and the EMI shall be treated in the same way as European officials.

2. 'Convention of 26 July 1995' shall mean: the Convention drawn up in Brussels on 26 July 1995 on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests (OJ C 316, 27.11.1995, p. 48).

(Amendment 6)

Article 2

1. For the purposes of this Protocol, the deliberate action of an official who requests, accepts or receives, directly or through a third party, for himself or for a third party, offers, promises or advantages of any kind whatsoever to act or refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties in a way which damages or is likely to damage the European Communities' financial interests shall constitute passive corruption.

The offence of passive corruption

Member States shall include in their legislation the offence of passive corruption to the detriment of the European Communities, i.e.: the action of an official who requests, accepts or receives, directly or indirectly, for himself or for a third party, offers, promises or advantages of any kind whatsoever

- (a) to act in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties,
- (b) to refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties,
- (c) to refrain from rectifying, or reporting to his immediate superiors, an error or mistake committed in the past.

2. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that conduct of the type referred to in paragraph 1 is made a criminal offence.

Deleted

(Amendment 7)

Article 3

1. For the purposes of this Protocol, the deliberate action of whosoever promises or gives, directly or through an

The offence of active corruption

Member States shall include in their legislation the offence of active corruption, i.e. the action of whosoever promises or

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intermediary, an advantage of any kind whatsoever to an official for himself or for a third party for him to act or refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties *in a way which damages or is likely to damage the European Communities' financial interests shall constitute active corruption.*

2. *Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that conduct of the type referred to in paragraph 1 is made a criminal offence.*

gives, directly or through **a third party**, an advantage of any kind whatsoever to an official for himself or for a third party

- (a) for him to act in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties,
- (b) **for him to refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions in breach of his official duties,**
- (c) **for him to refrain from rectifying, or reporting to his immediate superiors, an error or mistake committed in the past.**

Deleted

(Amendment 8)

Article 3a (new)

Article 3a

Aggravated offence

Corruption, within the meaning of Articles 2 and 3, committed by an organised group and/or over a long period shall be an aggravated offence.

(Amendment 9)

Article 3b (new)

Article 3b

Attempted corruption or complicity in corruption

Incitement to commit, attempts at committing, complicity in, or any other form of involvement in the conduct specified in Articles 3 and 3a shall also be deemed to be offences.

(Amendment 10)

Article 4(1), (2) and (3)

1. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that in its criminal law the descriptions of the offences constituting conduct of the type referred to in Article 1 of the Convention committed by its national officials in the exercise of their functions apply similarly in cases where such offences are committed by European officials in the exercise of their duties.

2. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that in its criminal law the descriptions of the offences

1. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that in its criminal law the descriptions of the offences constituting conduct of the type referred to in Article 1 of the Convention **of 26 July 1995** committed by its national officials in the exercise of their functions apply similarly in cases where such offences are committed by European officials **and the officials of other Member States** in the exercise of their duties.

2. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that in its criminal law the descriptions of the offences

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referred to in paragraph 1 and in Articles 2 and 3 committed by or against its Government Ministers, elected members of its parliamentary chambers, the members of its highest Courts or the members of its Court of Auditors in the exercise of their functions apply similarly in cases where such offences are committed by or against members of the Commission, the European Parliament, the Court of Justice and the Court of Auditors respectively in the exercise of their duties.

3. Where a Member State has enacted special legislation concerning acts or omissions for which Government Ministers are responsible by reason of their special political position in that Member State, paragraph 2 may not apply to such legislation, provided that the Member State ensures that Members of the Commission are covered by the criminal legislation implementing Articles 2, 3 and 4(1).

referred to in paragraph 1 and in Articles 2, 3, **3a and 3b** committed by or against its Government Ministers, elected members of its parliamentary chambers, **the ombudsman**, the members of its highest Courts or the members of its Court of Auditors in the exercise of their functions apply similarly in cases where such offences are committed by or against members of the Commission, **the members of the Council**, the European Parliament, **the Ombudsman**, the **members of the Court of Justice** and the Court of Auditors respectively in the exercise of their duties.

3. Where a Member State has enacted special legislation concerning acts or omissions for which Government Ministers are responsible by reason of their special political position in that Member State, paragraph 2 may not apply to such legislation, provided that the Member State ensures that Members of the Commission **and members of the Council** are covered by the criminal legislation implementing Articles 2, 3, **3a, 3b** and 4(1).

(Amendment 11)

Article 5

Penalties

1. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the conduct referred to in Articles 2 and 3 *and participating in and instigating the conduct in question* are punishable by effective, proportionate and dissuasive criminal penalties, including, *at least in serious cases*, penalties involving deprivation of liberty which can give rise to extradition.

2. (Deleted)

3. *Paragraph 1 shall be without prejudice to the exercise of disciplinary powers by the competent authorities against national officials or European officials.* In determining the penalty to be imposed, the national criminal courts may, in accordance with the principles of their legislation, take into account any disciplinary penalty already imposed on the same person for the same conduct.

1. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the conduct referred to in Articles 2, 3, **3a, 3b and 4** is punishable by effective, proportionate and dissuasive criminal penalties, including penalties involving deprivation of liberty **for at least three years** which can give rise to extradition.

2. (Deleted)

3. In determining the penalty to be imposed, the national criminal courts may, in accordance with the principles of their legislation, take into account, **inter alia**, any disciplinary penalty already imposed on the same person for the same conduct **and any other important factor such as the extent of the offers, promises or other advantages and the magnitude of the act from the point of view of the interests of the European Communities.**

(Amendment 12)

Article 6(1)

Jurisdiction

1. Each Member State shall take the measures necessary to establish its jurisdiction over the offences it has established in accordance with Articles 2, 3 and 4 where:

- (a) the offence is committed in whole or in part in its territory;
- (b) the offender is a national or an official of the Member State concerned;
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(d) the *offender* is a European official working for a Community institution or a body set up under the Treaties establishing the Communities which has its headquarters in the Member State concerned.

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(Amendment 13)

Article 6(2)

2. Each Member State may declare when giving the notification referred to in Article 9(2) that it will not apply or will apply only in specific cases or conditions one or more of the rules laid down in paragraph 1(b), (c) and (d).

Deleted

(Amendment 14)

*Article 6a (new)***Article 6a****Order of jurisdiction**

1. The authorities responsible for conducting the investigation and for the decision to prosecute shall, in the absence of any other arrangement, adhere to the order of jurisdiction set out in the previous Article.

2. However, if a decision is taken not to prosecute in the Member State having priority, the other Member States shall be entitled to prosecute and, in the absence of any other arrangement, shall adhere to the order of jurisdiction set out in the previous Article.

(Amendment 15)

*Article 6b (new)***Article 6b****Procedures**

1. The Member States shall inform the Community institutions concerned of every fact, including presumed facts, concerning corruption to the detriment of the European Communities or of the procedures set out in Articles 3, 3a, 3b, 4, 5, 6 and 6a of which they have knowledge.

2. The Community institutions shall inform the Member States concerned of every fact, including presumed facts, concerning corruption to the detriment of the European Communities or the procedures set out in Articles 3, 3a, 3b, 4, 5, 6 and 6a of which they have knowledge.

3. If a Community institution takes the initiative in communicating facts, the Member State shall have the obligation to carry out supplementary investigations and to prosecute the offender(s) if sufficient proof is obtained.

4. If a Member State takes the initiative in communicating facts, the Member States concerned shall inform the Community institutions concerned as to the choice of Member State to prosecute the offender(s). In this case, the institution shall conduct internal investigations and shall communicate the facts to the Member State in question.

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(Amendment 16)

*Article 6c (new)***Article 6c****Mutual assistance in criminal matters**

1. **The competent authorities of each Member State shall, at the request of the competent authorities of another Member State or of the Commission, render as much assistance as possible for all procedures seeking to combat the offences specified in Articles 2, 3, 3a, 3b and 4.**
2. **Assistance may only be refused by a Member State if it believes that complying with the request would be likely to harm public order.**
3. **Any refusal to provide assistance must be accompanied by the reasons for the refusal and be brought to the attention of the President of the Commission.**

(Amendment 17)

Article 7(1)

Article 3, Article 5(1), (2) and (4) and Article 6 of the Convention shall apply as if there were a reference to the conduct referred to in Articles 2, 3 and 4 of this *Protocol*.

Article 3, Article 5(1), (2) and (4) and Article 6 of the Convention of **26 July 1995** shall apply as if there were a reference to the conduct referred to in Articles 2, 3, **3a, 3b** and 4 of this **convention**.

(Amendment 18)

*Article 7a (new)***Article 7a**

The penal code and criminal investigation procedures of the Member State conducting the prosecution pursuant to the preceding articles shall apply.

(Amendment 19)

Article 8

Court of Justice

1. Any dispute between Member States on the interpretation or application of this *Protocol* must in an initial stage be examined by the Council in accordance with the procedure set out in Title VI of the Treaty on European Union with a view to reaching a solution.

If no solution has been found within six months the dispute *may* be referred to the Council of Justice of the European Communities by a party to the dispute.

2. Any dispute between one or more Member States and the Commission of the European Communities concerning the application of Article 1, with the exception of the second indent of paragraph 1, or Articles 2, 3, 4, or 7(2), third indent of this *Protocol* which it has proved impossible to settle through negotiation *may* be submitted to the Court of Justice.

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2a. The Court of Justice of the European Communities has jurisdiction to give preliminary rulings on the interpretation of this Convention if such matters are raised before a court of one of the Member States. Such a court may, if it feels that a decision on this matter is necessary for it to give judgment, request the Court of Justice to give a ruling on this question.

2b. The judgment of the Court of Justice in those cases referred to in paragraphs (1), (2) and (2a) shall be binding on all parties to this Convention.

(Amendment 20)

Article 9

Entry into force

1. This *Protocol* shall be subject to adoption by the Member States in accordance with their respective constitutional arrangements.

2. Member States shall notify the *Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union* of the completion of the procedures required under their respective constitutional rules for adopting this *Protocol*.

3. This *Protocol* shall enter into force ninety days after the notification referred to in paragraph 2, by the last Member State of the European Union to fulfil that formality. *If, however, the Convention has not entered into force on that date, the Protocol shall enter into force on the date on which the Convention enters into force.*

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(Amendment 21)

Article 11

Reservations

1. No reservation shall be authorized *with the exception of those provided for in Article 6(2).*

2. *Any Member state which has entered a reservation may withdraw it at any time in whole or in part by notifying the depository. Withdrawal shall take effect on the date on which the depository receives the notification.*

Reservations

No reservation shall be authorized.

(Amendment 22)

*Article 11a (new)***Article 11a**

The provisions of this convention shall apply only insofar as they are compatible with EC Directives and Regulations on the protection of the Communities' financial interests.

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(Amendment 23)

Article 12

Depository

1. The *Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union* shall act as depositary of this *Protocol*.

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(Amendment 24)

*Article 12a (new)***Article 12a**

The Commission shall submit as soon as possible a proposal for a Directive on the liability and protection of officials and other servants in criminal matters containing at least the following provisions:

'European Parliament and Council Directive of ... on the liability and protection of officials and other servants in criminal matters.

The European Parliament and the Council of the European Union,

- **having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, particularly Articles 100a and 209a thereof,**
- **having regard to the Commission proposal,**
- **having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,**

whereas the Community has jurisdiction in criminal matters to protect its financial interests vis-à-vis not only irregularities committed by economic operators but also illegal conduct by or against its officials that could be detrimental to the Community budget;

whereas the rules applicable should be uniform whatever the legal system involved;

whereas those rules should take account both of the fundamental principles of the constitutional systems of the Member States and of the acts of secondary Community legislation applicable, such as the Staff Regulations of European Officials;

whereas the rules on the liability and protection of European officials in criminal matters must be supplemented by provisions on the administrative liability of European officials vis-à-vis the Community;

have adopted the following Directive:

Article 1

1. The purpose of this Directive is protection of the Community's financial interests (revenue and expenditure) by the authorities and courts responsible for applying

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national law in the case of acts involving the liability or necessitating the protection of officials and other servants of the European Communities in criminal matters.

2. For the purposes of this Directive:

- 'official' shall mean any 'European' or 'national' official, including any national official of another Member State;
- 'European official' shall mean:
 - any person who is an official or other contracted employee within the meaning of the Staff Regulations of officials of the European Communities or the conditions of employment of other servants of the European Communities;
 - any person seconded to the European Communities by the Member States or by any public or private body, who carries out the same functions as those performed by European Community officials or other servants as provided for in their Staff Regulations;
 - staff of the EIB, the ESCB and the EMI.

Article 2**1. For the purposes of this Directive:**

- the action of an official who requests, accepts or receives, directly or through a third party, for himself or for a third party, offers, promises or advantages of any kind whatsoever to act or refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions shall constitute passive corruption;
- the action of whosoever promises or gives, directly or through an intermediary, an advantage of any kind whatsoever to an official for himself or for a third party for him to act or refrain from acting in accordance with his duty or in the exercise of his functions shall constitute active corruption;
- the action of an official who creates, in whole or in part, a forged document or falsifies a genuine document shall constitute forgery;
- the deliberate action of an official who makes use of a forged document shall constitute uttering;
- the action of an official who appropriates or embezzles, for himself or for a third party, a sum of money or assets belonging to his administration, shall constitute misappropriation of funds.

2. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the conduct referred to in paragraph 1 and attempted such conduct are established as criminal offences where they damage the European Community's financial interests.

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3. Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the conduct referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 and participating in and instigating such conduct are punishable by effective, proportionate and dissuasive criminal penalties, including penalties involving deprivation of liberty for at least:

- three years for corruption and misappropriation of funds;
- one year for forgery and uttering.

Article 3

Each Member State shall take the necessary measures to ensure that in its criminal law the offences referred to in Article 2 committed by or against Members of the Commission, the European Parliament, the Council, the Court of Justice and the Court of Auditors, the Ombudsman, the directors of the ESCB and the EMI and the governors of the EIB, respectively in the exercise of their duties, are punishable by the same penalties as referred to in Article 2.

Article 4

1. The preceding articles shall be without prejudice to the provisions concerning criminal proceedings and determination of the competent court.

2. This Directive shall apply in full accordance with the relevant provisions of the Treaties establishing the European Communities, the Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Communities, the Statutes of the Court of Justice and the texts adopted for the purpose of their implementation, as regards waiver of immunity.

3. It shall also apply in full accordance with the provisions of the Staff Regulations of European officials and implementing texts, particularly the rules governing disciplinary measures and financial reparation (Articles 88 and 22 of the Staff Regulations).

Article 5

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive before 31 December 1999.

2. Reference shall be made in such laws, regulations and administrative provisions to this Directive.

3. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of existing or new provisions of national law that guarantee transposition of this Directive.

4. Before 31 March each year, the Member States shall communicate to the Commission the number of cases of criminal proceedings initiated for the conduct referred to in Articles 2 and 3.

Article 6

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.'

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(Amendment 25)

ANNEX II

(Annex II, 'draft statement for entry in the Council minutes on the adoption of the act drawing up the Protocol', is deleted.)

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the draft Council act drawing up the Protocol to the Convention on the protection of the Communities' financial interests and the draft protocol, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, to the Convention on the Protection of the European Communities' financial interests (officials and Members) (C4-0607/95 – 12549/95 – 96/0902(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Council draft (12549/95 – 96/902(CNS)),
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article K.6, second paragraph, of the Treaty on European Union (C4-0607/95),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs and the opinions of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights and the Committee on Budgets (A4-0130/96),
1. Approves the Council draft, subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and the Commission.

(b) A4-0145/96

Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning on-the-spot checks and inspections by the Commission for the detection of frauds and irregularities detrimental to the financial interests of the European Communities (COM(95)0690 – C4-0115/96 – 95/0358(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 1)

Recital 1a (new)

Whereas the fight against fraud and irregularities detrimental to the financial interests of the European Communities is vital for the effectiveness of the single market and the credibility of the Union;

(*) OJ C 84, 21.3.1996, p. 10.

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TEXT PROPOSED
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(Amendment 2)

Recital 6

Whereas, however, in order to step up action to combat *organized* fraud it is necessary, in dealing with irregularities committed deliberately or through gross negligence and having an impact on the Community budget, to lay down additional common provisions relating to on-the-spot inspections and checks by Commission officials;

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(Amendment 3)

Recital 6a (new)

Whereas fraud detrimental to the financial interests of the European Communities is not confined to one country and is often committed by organized criminal networks;

(Amendment 4)

Recital 7

Whereas Article 1(2) of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95 *contains a definition of the term 'irregularity'*;

Whereas Article 1(2) of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95 **defines the term 'irregularity' as any infringement of a provision of Community law resulting from an act or omission by an economic operator, which has, or would have, the effect of prejudicing the general budget of the Communities or budgets managed by them, either by reducing or losing revenue accruing from own resources collected directly on behalf of the Communities, or by an unjustified item of expenditure;**

(Amendment 5)

Recital 7a (new)

Whereas the nature of on-the-spot inspections and checks, and the way they are carried out, are designed to ensure that the law is uniformly and effectively applied and to detect irregularities damaging the European Communities' financial interests;

(Amendment 6)

Recital 10

Whereas, if action to combat fraud and irregularities is to be effective, *it should be possible for the Commission to carry out inspections on the premises of government authorities and, if need be, those economic operators who may have been involved in the fraud in question, due regard being had to the fundamental rights of the persons concerned;*

Whereas, if action to combat fraud and irregularities is to be effective, **the Commission must** carry out inspections on the premises of government authorities and those economic operators who may have been involved in the fraud in question, due regard being had to the fundamental rights of the persons concerned;

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TEXT PROPOSED
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(Amendment 7)

Recital 11

Whereas Member States can make a substantial contribution to inspections by the Commission's officials, whereas national officials *should* therefore be asked to take part in the inspections; whereas in its role as coordinator under the second paragraph of Article 209a of the EC Treaty the Commission may ask officials from other Member States to take part in inspections; whereas the Member States concerned should be informed;

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(Amendment 8)

Article 1

Without prejudice to any other provisions laid down pursuant to rules governing particular sectors, the provisions of this Regulation shall apply to on-the-spot inspections and checks performed by the Commission as part of its action to combat fraud and for the purpose of detecting any irregularity as defined in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95.

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(Amendment 9)

Article 3(2)

2. Officials of the Member State concerned may take part in the inspections.

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(Amendment 10)

Article 4(1), third subparagraph

The Commission's inspectors shall produce their written authorization in which their identity and position shall be stated. They shall, when performing on-the-spot inspections and checks, conduct themselves in accordance with the rules and usages observed by officials of the Member States.

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(Amendment 11)

Article 5(1), second subparagraph, indent 9a (new)

— **any other logical operations which might be necessary to carry out the investigation in a proper way.**

(Amendment 12)

Article 6(4a) (new)

4a. The European Information System and Europol shall be able to provide information on international fraud networks, which shall be passed on to the Commission.

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(Amendment 13)

Article 7

Where the persons referred to in Article 2 resist an on-the-spot inspection or check, the Member State concerned shall give the Commission's inspectors such assistance as they need to enable them to take the appropriate steps to discharge their duty to carry out such on-the-spot inspection or check, in accordance with the Member State's rules of procedure.

Where the persons referred to in Article 2 resist an on-the-spot inspection or check **a statement recording such refusal shall be drawn up and signed by the Commission inspectors, the persons referred to in Article 2 and the representatives of the Member State concerned. Furthermore,** the Member State concerned shall give the Commission's inspectors such assistance as they need to enable them to take the appropriate steps to discharge their duty to carry out such on-the-spot inspection or check, in accordance with the Member State's rules of procedure. **Sectoral rules may provide for the penalties referred to in Article 5(1) of Council Regulation (EC/Euratom) No 2988/95 to be imposed on persons who resist an inspection or check.**

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation concerning on-the-spot checks and inspections by the Commission for the detection of frauds and irregularities detrimental to the financial interests of the European Communities (COM(95)0690 – C4-0115/96 – 95/0358(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0690 – 95/0358(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EC Treaty and Article 203 of the EAEC Treaty (C4-0115/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgetary Control and the opinion of the Committee on Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs (A4-0145/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty, and Article 119, second subparagraph, of the Euratom Treaty;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 84, 21.3.1996, p. 10.

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12. Telecommunications

A4-0141/96

Resolution on the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on future development of the market in directories and other telecommunications information services in a competitive environment (COM(95)0431 – C4-0454/95)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the communication from the Commission, COM(95)0431 – C4-0454/95,
 - having regard to Articles 3, 34, 36, 59 and 60 of the EC Treaty relating to the free movement of goods and the freedom to provide services,
 - having regard to Article 129a of the EC Treaty relating to consumer protection,
 - having regard to Articles 85, 86 and 90 of the EC Treaty relating to competition, concerted agreements and the abuse of dominant position,
 - having regard to European Parliament and Council Directive 95/62/EC of 13 December 1995 on the application to voice telephony of the principles of the ONP ⁽¹⁾ and Commission Directive 96/19/EC of 13 March 1996 amending Commission Directive 90/388/EEC regarding the implementation of full competition in telecommunications markets ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to Council Resolution 94/C48/01 of 7 February 1994 ⁽³⁾ and its own resolution of 6 May 1994 on the communication from the Commission accompanied by the proposal for a Council resolution on universal service principles in the telecommunications sector ⁽⁴⁾,
 - having regard to its resolutions of 30 November 1994 on the recommendation to the European Council: 'Europe and the global information society' and the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament and to the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: 'Europe's way to the information society: an action plan' ⁽⁵⁾ and of 7 April 1995 and 19 May 1995 on the Green Paper on the liberalization of telecommunications infrastructure and cable television networks ⁽⁶⁾,
 - having regard to the provisions of Directive 90/387/EEC on the establishment of the internal market for telecommunications services through the implementation of open network provision ⁽⁷⁾,
 - having regard to the provisions of Directives or proposals for Directives relating to data protection, distance selling, the protection of computer programmes and the legal protection of data bases,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy and the opinion of the Committee on Women's Rights (A4-0141/96),
- A. whereas advertising revenue in telephone 'white pages', 'yellow pages' and electronic directories in the Union was estimated in 1992 (the last year for which statistics are available) as ECU 3,7 billion representing 7,5% of total media expenditure in the Union,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 321, 30.12.1995, p. 6.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 74, 22.3.1996, p. 13.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 48, 16.2.1994, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 205, 25.7.1994, p. 551.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ C 363, 19.12.1994, p. 33.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ C 109, 1.5.1995, p. 310 and OJ C 151, 19.6.1995, p. 479.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 192, 24.7.1990, p. 1.

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- B. whereas public telephony services will be fully liberalized in the European Union on 1 January 1998, as stated in the Commission Directive of 13 March 1996, which requires in particular that Member States shall revoke any exclusive and special rights in the directory services sector;
- C. whereas a debate is taking place in a number of Member States on the future Regulation of the market in directories and other related markets in preparation for the creation of a competitive environment for the public telephone service and for the expansion of mobile services,
- D. whereas the current treatment of directory services varies within the European Union,
- E. whereas market developments involve the emergence of numerous new telecommunications services, implying the plurality of numbers or access codes to users,
- F. whereas telephone information services such as directories play a key role in providing access to and encouraging the greater use of telecommunications services,
- G. whereas inclusion in the domestic directory of subscribers of competing telecommunications operators in the same Member State counters the pointless issuing and distribution of directories; whereas this is a useful service for the consumer and contributes to reducing waste of paper,
- H. concerned at the fact that the market in electronic directories in the European Union is still awaiting development because of technical disparities between Member States such as differences in videotext standards, and at the disparity of calling numbers for telephone enquiry services ⁽¹⁾,
- I. whereas measures to liberalize the market in telephone directories must take into consideration the security and privacy needs of all consumers, but particularly women, given that they are most often the target of nuisance callers and may need privacy to escape an abusive relationship,
1. Welcomes the Commission's communication which will complement and contribute to the success of the drive to introduce competition in the European telecommunications market in general;
 2. Believes that full and fair access to directory information is important to the prospects of competing operators;
 3. Expects that when a new entrant comes into the market, its prospective customers will be guaranteed the same ability to access directory information and to be listed in it as they have with the incumbent operator;
 4. Suggests that the ability to offer this equivalence can determine whether customers elect to take services from a new provider or not;
 5. Underlines that, in the emerging information society, directory information is a valuable resource in its own right;
 6. Believes that competition is likely to result in the development of innovative, high quality services and lower cost, to the benefit of many categories of consumers;
 7. Considers that new commercial opportunities will arise from the liberalisation of the directories market with the potential for job creation;

⁽¹⁾ At present, directory information services can be reached through the following calling numbers in the member states (national information only, other numbers may be requested when needing international information): Belgium 1207 (Dutch) or 1307 (French), Denmark 118, Germany 1171, Greece 131, Spain 003, France 12 (or 3611 for minitel enquiries), Ireland 1190, Italy 12, Luxembourg 017, Netherlands 068008, Austria 1611, Portugal 181, Finland 181, Sweden 07975, United Kingdom 192. Unless action is taken, the introduction of competition might lead to several calling numbers in the same country for the same information, corresponding to the various services of telecommunications suppliers.

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8. Insists that all operators who plan to profit from the market in directories and other telecommunications information services should be required to contribute to the provision of universal services;
9. Regards it as important to protect consumers and the market itself from misuse of directory information for criminal purposes or purposes which could cause annoyance;
10. Believes that, if consumers feel that their interests as regards data protection are not being met, they are likely to withdraw their details from public directories which would harm the market and make such documentation less attractive for consumers as a whole;
11. Stresses that consumers wishing to withhold their details from public directories (to be ex-directory) and consumers wishing to restrict the use of that information for commercial purposes should be able to do so without having to pay; notes that this is of particular concern to women who may wish not to indicate their sex in the directory and may have genuine security fears if their address is published with their telephone number;
12. Considers that adequate protection should be afforded to the consumer and that, in particular, in the case of incorrect entry of details through the fault of the operator, the consumer should be compensated for any loss of earnings and inconvenience caused;
13. Fears in particular for the safety of women living alone should it be possible to cross reference telephone numbers and addresses from a directory with other data bases such as the electoral register in order to identify how many individuals live at an address;
14. Believes that operators should be regulated so as to ensure that they do not misuse customer information or give it to other people who may misuse it, but is confident that proposed measures to apply harmonised data protection throughout the EU are sufficient to guard against such misuse;
15. Fears that specific controls on those who collate and access directory information could be used by Member States to restrict competition;
16. Believes that competition in the field of directory services will allow all telecommunications operators to compete on an equal basis enabling them to provide directory services amongst the 'portfolio' of services they offer to consumers and thus help to open up the telecommunications markets in Member States and lead to the creation of pan-European directories and directory services;
17. Believes that the telephone directories of the various telecommunications operators in a Member State should contain the telephone and other telecommunications numbers of each other's subscribers;
18. Believes that new operators and entrants into the directories market should be given access to the names, addresses and telephone numbers of telephone customers on fair, reasonable and non-discriminatory terms and that existing operators should not be able to abuse their dominant position by charging unreasonable prices for the information provided;
19. Considers that the development of pan-European directory and enquiry services either in printed form or in the form of interconnected and interoperable databases is a necessity for the single market;
20. Calls for the development of a pan-European Directory Enquiries numbering system;
21. Would like to see an extension of pioneering services such as the French Minitel Electronic Directory to the public in other Member States;
22. Considers that telephone subscribers should be entitled to have free printed copies of their local 'white pages' and 'yellow pages' and to have their details of name, address, postcode and telephone number included free of charge;
23. Believes that inclusion of information free of charge should also apply to the name of the spouse or partner living with the subscriber, if so requested by the latter;

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24. Considers that directory enquiry services should be available at a nominal charge or on a 'cost-plus' basis;
25. Hopes that future directory and information providers will be able to supply not only telephone numbers but the numbers or access codes for all other telecommunications services such as fax, e-mail and telex numbers where appropriate;
26. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, and telecommunications regulators in the Member States.

13. Broadcasting of sports events

B4-0326/96

Resolution on the broadcasting of sports events

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas the costs of the right to broadcast sports events are reaching levels that only make it possible for the most capital-rich broadcasters to bid for them successfully,
- B. whereas Article 9 of the Council of Europe Convention on Transfrontier Television binds parties to the Convention to 'avoid the right of the public to information being undermined due to the exercise by a broadcaster of exclusive rights for the transmission or retransmission.. of an event of high public interest and which has the effect of depriving a large part of the public in one or more other Parties of the opportunity to follow that event on television', where the definition of an event of high public interest includes sports events which are of general interest in one or more Member States,
- C. whereas the general position of DG IV at the Commission is that exclusive broadcasting rights for television coverage of sports events should only be for limited duration (e.g. one football season), although such rights may be renewed; and that if such rights are for longer periods, then specific grounds for exemption are required (for example, an exemption was available for a longer term of three years to facilitate BSKyB entry to develop direct-to-home satellite broadcasting),
- D. whereas however in the current competition situation long-term contracts constitute the best guarantee for free-to-air channels to broadcast major sports events in a manner accessible to the population as a whole,
- E. whereas the organizer of a sports event normally owns the television rights and so makes the decision to guarantee exclusivity to one broadcaster; whereas televised sports organizations need to exploit this market for greater revenue due to the ever increasing costs of sports infrastructure and the salaries of professional sportsmen and women,
- F. whereas exclusive broadcasting rights are a necessary part of the normal functioning of the highly competitive broadcasting market and are seen as a central driving force in the generation of revenue for both sports organizations and television broadcasters; whereas this exclusivity has led to an increase in both the amount of sport broadcast and the number of different sports televised, particularly with the rise of televised minority sports,
- G. whereas rising costs increase the probability that exclusive rights to transmit major sports events, such as the Olympics or the World Football Championship, may be attributed to commercial broadcasters that operate subscription channels or that do not have universal reach in the country where they are licensed,

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- H. whereas, should this happen, the broadcasting of major sports events could only become accessible to those citizens of the Union who have access to channels only available on subscription or in certain parts of their country and not in others,
- I. whereas public service channels in most EU Member States have a specific obligation to ensure that the broadcasting of major sports events reaches free-to-air all the population,
- J. whereas general-interest private non-encrypted channels also have the purpose of safeguarding the broadcasting of such sports events,
- K. whereas the European Broadcasting Union, through the contract signed with the International Olympic Committee, has succeeded in guaranteeing free-to-air broadcasting, accessible to the whole population, until 2008, also enabling future applicant cities to prepare their bids on sounder and more practical bases and enhancing the financial stability of all members of the Olympic movement for the coming years,
- L. whereas an extremely high bid had been made for exclusive rights to the retransmission in Europe of Summer and Winter Olympic Games in the years 2000 to 2008 by an operator of pay-TV channels,
1. Considers it essential for all spectators to have a right of access to major sports events, just as they have a right to information;
 2. Welcomes the decision of the International Olympic Committee which reflects its concern that the democratic, widespread and charge-free broadcasting of sports events should prevail over purely commercial considerations;
 3. Considers that increased revenue from broadcasting rights has greatly contributed to promoting sports in general and to improving facilities available to athletes at all levels of performance;
 4. Welcomes the amendment of 6 February 1996 to the UK Broadcasting Bill which guarantees that the broadcasting of sports events of general interest is not the exclusive preserve of pay-TV but is part of the service offered by channels with general coverage in the country;
 5. Considers that exclusive broadcasting rights for certain sports events which are of general interest in one or more Member States must be granted to channels which broadcast in non-encrypted form so that these events remain accessible to the population as a whole;
 6. Emphasises that the news media have a right to free news gathering and the public a right to adequate and rapid information, and that holders of 'exclusive broadcasting rights' should not therefore prevent other TV broadcasters from showing excerpts from or summaries of events in which there is a great public interest by demanding payment beyond that required to cover costs or by making stipulations as to the time of the broadcast; therefore calls upon the Commission to draw up proposals for legislation, and to devise a competition policy, which limit the exclusive nature of broadcasting rights for sporting contests and other public events as set out above;
 7. Considers it advisable for radio and television coverage of such events not to be the exclusive prerogative of State concerns but to be open to private stations that provide guarantees of pluralism, economic reliability, technical efficiency and transmission coverage in keeping with the requirements laid down in this resolution and in line with the principles underlying a public service;
 8. Considers it the duty of the European Union to identify appropriate monitoring and intervention mechanisms to prevent the emergence, with respect to the negotiations on radio and television rights, of a speculative market in sports events of general interest that conflicts with the rules of pluralism, free movement, competition and equal opportunities enshrined in the Treaty on European Union;

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9. Considers that, to promote competition and maximise public access to sport, different transmission rights to the same event should not be sold to a single broadcaster in one package but unbundled and put on the market separately (e.g. live television coverage of an event separate from television highlights and radio transmission rights);
 10. Requests that where the broadcasting rights for national sports events have been acquired at national level, these events should actually be broadcast throughout the territory of the country in question;
 11. Requests that where the broadcasting rights for a sports event are granted to an encrypted channel, this channel should be obliged to make available, in return for a reasonable fee, extracts of this event to other channels which express an interest;
 12. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the governments and parliaments of the Member States.
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ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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The following signed:

d'Abouville, Adam, Aelvoet, Ahern, Ahlqvist, Ainardi, Alavanos, Alber, Aldo, Amadeo, Anastassopoulos, d'Ancona, Andersson, André-Léonard, Andrews, Angelilli, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Aparicio Sánchez, Apolinário, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Arroni, Augias, Avgerinos, Azzolini, Baggioni, Baldarelli, Baldi, Balfé, Banotti, Bardong, Barón Crespo, Barros Moura, Barthet-Mayer, Barton, Barzanti, Baudis, Bazin, Bébéar, Belleré, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Berès, Bernard-Reymond, Bernardini, Bertens, Berthu, Bertinotti, Bianco, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bloch von Blottnitz, Blokland, Blot, Böge, Bösch, Bonde, Boniperti, Bontempi, Boogerd-Quaak, Botz, Bourlanges, Bowe, Bredin, de Brémond d'Ars, Breyer, Brinkhorst, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Burtone, Cabezón Alonso, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Camisón Asensio, Campos, Campoy Zueco, Candal, Capucho, Carlsson, Carnero González, Carniti, Carrère d'Encausse, Cars, Casini Carlo, Casini Pier Ferdinando, Cassidy, Castagnède, Castagnetti, Castricum, Caudron, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chesa, Chichester, Christodoulou, Coates, Cohn-Bendit, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colli Comelli, Collins Gerard, Collins Kenneth D., Colombo Svevo, Colom i Naval, Cornelissen, Correia, Corrie, Costa Neves, Cot, Cox, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Crowley, Cunha, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Danesin, Dankert, Darras, Dary, Daskalaki, David, De Clercq, De Coene, Decourrière, De Giovanni, Dell'Alba, De Luca, De Melo, Deprez, Desama, de Vries, Díez de Rivera Icaza, van Dijk, Dillen, Dimitrakopoulos, Di Prima, Donnay, Donnelly Alan John, Donnelly Brendan Patrick, Dupuis, Dury, Dybkjær, Ebner, Eisma, Elchlepp, Elles, Elliott, Elmalan, Eriksson, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Evans, Ewing, Fabra Vallés, Fabre-Aubrespy, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farassino, Farthofer, Fassa, Fayot, Ferber, Féret, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fitzsimons, Florenz, Florio, Fontaine, Fontana, Ford, Fouque, Fourçans, Fraga Estévez, Friedrich, Frutos Gama, Funk, Gahrton, Galeote Quecedo, Gallagher, García Arias, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garosci, Garriga Polledo, Gasòliba i Böhm, Ghilardotti, Giansily, Gillis, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Girão Pereira, Glante, Glase, Goepel, Goerens, Görlach, Goldsmith, Gollnisch, Gomolka, González Álvarez, González Triviño, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Graenitz, Graziani, Gredler, Green, Gröner, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Guinebertière, Gutiérrez Díaz, Haarder, von Habsburg, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Hatzidakis, Haug, Hautala, Hawlicek, Heinisch, Hendrick, Herman, Hermange, Hernandez Mollar, Herzog, Hindley, Hoff, Holm, Hoppenstedt, Hory, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Hyland, Iivari, Imbeni, Iversen, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jackson, Jacob, Järvilähti, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jensen Kirsten M., Jensen Lis, Jöns, Jouppila, Jové Peres, Jung, Junker, Katiforis, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kerr, Kestelijn-Sierens, Killilea, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kittelmann, Kjer Hansen, Klauf, Klironomos, Koch, König, Kofeod, Kokkola, Konecny, Konrad, Kouchner, Krarup, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kristoffersen, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Laignel, Lalumière, La Malfa, Lambraki, Lambrias, Lang Carl, Lange, Langen, Langenhagen, Lannoye, Larive, Laurila, Le Gallou, Lehne, Lenz, Le Pen, Leperre-Verrier, Le Rachinel, Liese, Ligabue, Lindeperg, Lindholm, Lindqvist, Linkohr, Linser, Linzer, Lööw, Lomas, Lucas Pires, Lüttge, Lukas, Lulling, Macartney, McCartin, McGowan, McIntosh, McKenna, McMahon, McMillan-Scott, McNally, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Malerba, Malone, Mamère, Mann Erika, Mann Thomas, Manzella, Marin, Marinho, Marinucci, Marset Campos, Martens, Martin David W., Martin Philippe-Armand, Martinez, Mather, Mayer, Medina Ortega, Megahy, Mégret, Meier, Méndez de Vigo, Mendiluce Pereira, Mendonça, Menrad, Metten, Mezzaroma, Miller, Miranda, Miranda de Lage, Mohamed Ali, Mombaur, Monfils, Moniz, Moorhouse, Morán López, Moreau, Moretti, Morris, Moscovici, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Müller, Mulder, Murphy, Muscardini, Musumeci, Myller, Nassauer, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Nicholson, Nordmann, Novo, Nußbaumer, Oddy, Olsson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Orlando, Paakkinen, Pack, Pailler, Palacio Vallelersundi, Papakyriazis, Papayannakis, Parigi, Parodi, Pasty, Peijs, Peltari, Pérez Royo, Perry, Pery, Peter, Pettinari, Pex, Piecyk, Pimenta, Piquet, des Places, Plooij-van Gorsel, Plumb, Podestà, Poettering, Poggiolini, Poisson, Pollack, Pomés Ruiz, Poupidou, Pons Grau, Porto, Posselt, Pradier, Pronk, Provan, Puerta, van Putten, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Rauti, Read, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rehder, Rehn Elisabeth, Rehn Olli Ilmari, Ribeiro, Riis-Jørgensen, Rinsche, Ripa di Meana, Rocard, Rönnholm, Rosado Fernandes, de Rose, Roth, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Roubatis, Rovsing, Rübigen, Rusanen, Ryyänen, Sainjon, Saint-Pierre, Sakellariou, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Samland, Sandbæk, Santini, Sanz Fernández, Sarlis, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Schäfer, Schaffner, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlechter, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schnellhardt, Schreiner, Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schwaiger, Seal, Secchi, Seillier, Sierra González, Simpson, Sindal, Sisó Cruellas, Skinner, Smith, Soltwedel-Schäfer, Sonneveld, Sornosa Martínez, Souchet, Soulier, Spaak, Speciale, Spencer, Spiers, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenius-Kaukonen, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Stirbois, Stockmann, Striby, Sturdy, Svensson, Tajani, Tamino, Tannert, Tapie, Tappin, Tatarella, Taubira-Delannon, Terrón i Cusí, Teverson, Theato, Theorin, Thomas, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Titley, Todini, Toivonen, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Couto, Torres Marques, Trakatellis, Trautmann, Trizza, Truscott, Tsatsos, Ullmann, Väyrynen, Valdivielso de Cué, Vallvé, Valverde López, Vandemeulebroucke, Vanhecke, Van Lancker, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vaz da Silva, Vecchi, van Velzen W.G., van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Verwaerde, Viceconte, Vieira, de Villiers, Vinci, Viola,

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Virgin, Voggenhuber, van der Waal, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Watson, Weber, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek, Willockx, Wilson, von Wogau, Wolf, Wurtz, Wynn, Zimmermann.

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ANNEX

Result of roll-call votes

(+) = For

(−) = Against

(O) = Abstention

1. Urgencies

Objection Subject III (B4-0618/96)

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ARE: Castagnède, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke**ELDR:** Mulder**GUE/NGL:** Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Novo, Pettinari, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen**NI:** Dillen, Vanhecke**PPE:** Castagnetti, Ebner, Habsburg, Kristoffersen**PSE:** Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Beres, van Bladel, Botz, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, David, De Coene, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Evans, Frutos Gama, Ghilardotti, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Howitt, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Medina Ortega, Megahy, Metten, Miranda de Lage, Morán López, Murphy, Needle, Newens, Newman, Paakkinen, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Pieczyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rönholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schmid, Schulz, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Torres Marques, Truscott, Tsatsos, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Walter, West, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Arroni, Caligaris**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, van Dijk, Holm, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Soltwedel-Schäfer, Ullmann, Wolf

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EDN: Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Bertens, Boogerd-Quaak, Cox, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, JärviLahti, Kofoed, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Peltari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vallvé, Väyrynen, Watson**NI:** Bellere**PPE:** Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Areatio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Chanterie, Chichester, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, D'Andrea, Decourrière, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Gomolka, Grossetête, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Koch, Lambrias, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mather, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rovsing, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spencer, Spindelegger, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G.**PSE:** Blak

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UPE: d'Aboville, Andrews, Azzolini, Bazin, Boniperti, Cabrol, Collins Gerard, De luca, Fitzsimons, Gallagher, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Ligabue, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Santini, Vieira

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EDN: Berthu**PPE:** Corrie

2. Urgencies

Objection Subject III (B4-0650/96)

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy**ELDR:** Cunha**NI:** Bellere, Dillen, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Burtone, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Chanterie, Chichester, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, D'Andrea, Decourrière, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Gomolka, Grossetête, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, Lambrias, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mather, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rovsing, Rusanen, Rübiger, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spencer, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G.

UPE: d'Aboville, Andrews, Arroni, Azzolini, Bazin, Boniperti, Cabrol, Caccavale, Collins Gerard, Fitzsimons, Gallagher, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Ligabue, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, van Dijk, Holm, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Soltwedel-Schäfer, Ullmann, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard, Bertens, Boogerd-Quaak, Cox, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Järvilähti, Kofoed, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Mulder, Pelttari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vallvé, Väyrynen, Watson

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Novo, Pettinari, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

PPE: Jouppila

PSE: Baldarelli, Evans, Schmid

3. Florenz recommendation A4-0116/96

Amendment 4

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ARE: Macartney

EDN: Bonde, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Sandbæk

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PSE: Barzanti, Happart, Mendiluce Pereiro

UPE: Rosado Fernandes

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ARE: Hory, Lalumière, Sainjon, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson, de Rose, Seillier, Souchet, Striby, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasòliba i Böhm, Gredler, Järvilahti, Kestelij-Sierens, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga

GUE/NGL: Alavanos

NI: Amadeo, Bellere, Dillen, Feret, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Pen, Le Rachinel, Linser, Lukas, Muscardini, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Schreiner, Stirbois, Trizza, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Escudero, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Jackson, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rovsing, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spencer, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock,

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Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakinen, Pérez Royo, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Arroni, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Crowley, Daskalaki, De luca, Florio, Fontana, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Ligabue, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Santini, Schaffner, Todini, Vieira

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ARE: Ewing

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ARE: Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Mamère, Sainjon, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Poisson, de Rose, Sandbæk, Seillier, Souchet, Striby, van der Waal**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasòliba i Böhm, Gredler, Järvilahti, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Pimenta, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga**GUE/NGL:** Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Jung, Linser, Lukas, Muscardini, Parigi, Schreiner, Trizza**PPE:** Bianco, Maij-Weggen

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezon Alonso, Campos, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakinen, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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EDN: Fabre-Aubrespy

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Jackson, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spencer, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Candal

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Crowley, Danesin, De Luca, Fitzsimons, Florio, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Todini, Vieira

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EDN: des Places

NI: Dillen, Feret, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Pen, Le Rachinel, Stirbois, Vanhecke

UPE: Daskalaki

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Macartney, Mamère, Pradier, Sainjon, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Goldsmith, Poisson, Seillier

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasòliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Olsson, Peltari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Jung, Linser, Lukas, Nußbaumer, Schreiner

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas

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Pires, Lulling, McCartin, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Valledersundi, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rovsing, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valdivielso de Cué, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Arroni, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Danesin, Daskalaki, De luca, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Florio, Fontana, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Ligabue, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Pasty, Podesta', Pompidou, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Todini, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blotnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Muscardini, Parigi

PPE: Cassidy, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Jackson, McIntosh, Poggiolini, Provan, Spencer, Stevens, Sturdy

UPE: Crowley, Rosado Fernandes

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EDN: Blokland, Bonde, Jensen Lis, Krarup, des Places, de Rose, Sandbæk, Souchet, Striby, van der Waal

ELDR: Kofoed

NI: Dillen, Feret, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Pen, Le Rachinel, Stirbois, Trizza, Vanhecke

PSE: Collins Kenneth D.

UPE: Chesa

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EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, Goldsmith, des Places, Poisson, de Rose, Seillier, Souchet, Striby

ELDR: André-Léonard

NI: Angelilli, Bellere, Dillen, Feret, Le Gallou, Le Pen, Muscardini, Parigi, Vanhecke

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PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Boulrangès, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Casini Carlo, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Mosiek-Urbahn, Moukouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Valledersundi, Peijs, Pex, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Baldarelli, Botz, Bösch, Crepaz, Elchlepp, Fantuzzi, Glante, Görlach, Graenitz, Gröner, Haug, Jöns, Kindermann, Konecny, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Linkohr, Lüttge, Mann Erika, Megahy, Meier, Peter, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Rothe, Rothley, Sakellariou, Samland, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Stockmann, Tannert, Walter, Zimmermann

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ARE: Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Blokland, van der Waal

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjer, Eisma, Fassa, Gasóliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Olsson, Pelttari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Rynänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Jung, Linsler, Lukas, Schreiner

PPE: Cassidy, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Jackson, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Perry, Plumb, Provan, Spencer, Stevens, Sturdy, Trakatellis

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, González Triviño, Green, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Katiforis, Kerr, Kinnock, Kokkola, Kouchner, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Lomas, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rönholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Tappin, Terrón i Cusi, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Arroni, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Colli Comelli, Crowley, Danesin, Daskalaki, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Fontana, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Ligabue, Malerba, Marin, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Pasty, Podesta, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Todini, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blotnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ARE: Ewing, Macartney, Pradier, Sainjon**EDN:** Bonde, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Sandbæk**NI:** Amadeo, Lang Carl, Le Rachinel, Stirbois, Trizza**PPE:** Langen*7. Bowe recommendation A4-0159/96**Amendment 4*

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ARE: Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Sainjon, Saint-Pierre, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Goldsmith, Jensen Lis, Krarup, des Places, Poisson, de Rose, Sandbæk, Seillier, Souchet, Striby, van der Waal**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasòliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, Järvilahti, Kestelijin-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Olsson, Peltari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**GUE/NGL:** Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Jung, Linser, Lukas, Nußbaumer, Schreiner**PPE:** Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau**PSE:** Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newsen, Newman, Oddy, Paakinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ELDR: Kofoed

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Muscardini, Parigi, Trizza

PPE: Cassidy, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Filippi, Graziani, Jackson, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Perry, Provan, Spencer, Stevens, Sturdy

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Carrère d'Encausse, Colli Comelli, Crowley, Danesin, Daskalaki, Donnay, Florio, Fontana, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Ligabue, Marin, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Pasty, Podesta', Pampidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Todini, Viceconte, Vieira

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NI: Dillen, Feret, Le Gallou, Le Pen

UPE: Malerba

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Amendment 15

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Macartney, Pradier, Saint-Pierre, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Fabre-Aubrespy, Goldsmith, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Poisson, de Rose, Sandbæk, Souchet, Striby, de Villiers, van der Waal

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Gasöliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Porto, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänen, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijzenbeek

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Jung, Lukas, Schreiner

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari,

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Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönnholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusi, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard, Cunha, Järvilahti, Kofoed, Monfils, Mulder, Teverson

NI: Linser, Nußbaumer

PPE: Cassidy, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Filippi, Goepel, Jackson, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Perry, Provan, Stevens, Sturdy

PSE: Seal

UPE: Aldo, Azzolini, Baldi, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Collins Gerard, Crowley, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Malerba, Marin, Parodi, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Todini, Viceconte, Vieira

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EDN: des Places

ELDR: Fassa

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Pen, Muscardini, Parigi, Stirbois, Tatarella, Trizza, Vanhecke

UPE: Podesta'

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Hory, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Saint-Pierre, Tapie

EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Fabre-Aubrespy, Goldsmith, Jensen Lis, Krarup, des Places, Poisson, de Rose, Sandbæk, Souchet, Striby, de Villiers, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasöliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttbroeck, Olsson, Pelttari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Porto, Rehn elisabeth, Ryynänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Papayannakis, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Jung, Le Pen, Linser, Lukas, Muscardini, Parigi, Schreiner, Tatarella, Trizza

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zuco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote

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Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Palacio Vallelersundi, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Colli Comelli, Collins Gerard, Crowley, Danesin, Daskalaki, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Florio, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Malerba, Marin, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Pasty, Podesta', Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Viceconte, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ARE: Ewing, Macartney, Vandemeulebroucke

ELDR: De Melo

PPE: Cassidy, Chichester, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Herman, Jackson, Kellett-Bowman, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Moorhouse, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Provan, Stevens, Sturdy, Theato

UPE: Arroni

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NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Gallou, Le Rachinel, Stirbois, Vanhecke

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Amendment 27

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Hory, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Saint-Pierre, Tapie, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Fabre-Aubrespy, Goldsmith, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Poisson, de Rose, Sandbæk, Souchet, Striby, de Villiers, van der Waal

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ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Eisma, Fassa, Gasôliba i Böhm, Gredler, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, Kofod, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Olsson, Peltari, Pimenta, Rehn elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijzenbeck

GUE/NGL: Alavanos, Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Papayannakis, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Dillen, Feret, Jung, Linser, Lukas, Schreiner, Vanhecke

PPE: Liese, Schnellhardt

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Ivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Laignel, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Roth-Behrendt, Rothe, Rothley, Rönnholm, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Fitzsimons

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard, Goerens

PPE: Alber, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bébéar, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Jackson, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kittelmann, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spencer, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau

UPE: d'Aboville, Aldo, Arroni, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Caligaris, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Colli Comelli, Collins Gerard, Crowley, Danesin, Daskalaki, Donnay, Florio, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Malerba, Marin, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Pasty, Podesta', Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Todini, Viceconte, Vieira

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NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Parigi, Tatarella, Trizza

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*11. Bowe recommendation A4-0159/96**Amendment 37*

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ARE: Barthelet-Mayer, Ewing**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Fabre-Aubrespy, Goldsmith, Jensen Lis, Krarup, Sandbæk, Souchet, Striby, de Villiers, van der Waal**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Fassa, Gasòliba i Böhm, Goerens, Gredler, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kjer Hansen, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Monfils, Mulder, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Pelttari, Pimenta, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Porto, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänen, Spaak, Teverson, Vaz Da Silva, Väyrynen, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**GUE/NGL:** Papayannakis, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Amadeo, Angelilli, Bellere, Dillen, Jung, Linser, Lukas, Parigi, Schreiner, Tatarella, Trizza, Vanhecke**PPE:** Alber, Anastassopoulos, Areitio Toledo, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bébéar, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Brok, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Chichester, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Jackson, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lucas Pires, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, McMillan-Scott, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Mann Thomas, Martens, Mayer, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Palacio Vallelersundi, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafrañca Sánchez-Neyra, Sarlis, Schiedermeier, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin, von Wogau**PSE:** Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Apolinário, Augias, Avgerinos, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barros-Moura, Barton, Barzanti, Beres, Bernardini, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Campos, Candal, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Correia, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, De Coene, De Giovanni, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Evans, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Ford, Frutos Gama, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kinnock, Kokkola, Konecny, Kouchner, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Mann Erika, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Moniz, Morán López, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Paakkinen, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, van Putten, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rehder, Rocard, Rothe, Rothley, Sakellariou, Samland, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Terrón i Cusí, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, White, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Hory, Lalumière, Leperre-Verrier, Pradier, Saint-Pierre**EDN:** des Places**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, Gutiérrez Díaz, Iversen, Jové Peres, Puerta, Ribeiro, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

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NI: Nußbaumer**UPE:** d'Aboville, Aldo, Arroni, Azzolini, Baldi, Bazin, Cabrol, Caccavale, Carrère d'Encausse, Chesa, Colli Comelli, Collins Gerard, Crowley, Danesin, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Florio, Fontana, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Malerba, Marin, Martin Philippe, Parodi, Podesta', Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Todini, Viceconte, Vieira**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, Lindholm, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Ullmann, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ELDR: Olsson**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez**NI:** Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Le Rachinel, Stirbois

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF THURSDAY, 23 MAY 1996

(96/C 166/04)

PART I

Proceedings of the sitting

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs FONTAINE

*Vice-President**(The sitting opened at 10 a.m.)***1. Approval of Minutes***The following spoke:*

— Mr Macartney, who referred to Mr de Vries' request for a Council statement on the UK attempt to block Union business, and to the responses by Mrs Green and Mrs Oomen-Ruijten (*Part I, Item 1*), and said that he had also asked for the floor, on behalf of the ARE Group, to support the request but had not been given it: he asked for the Minutes to record this fact and also asked for the Conference of Presidents to see whether it would be possible to have such a statement before the end of the week (the President noted his request);

— Mr Thomas who, commenting on Mr Macartney's remarks, argued that a statement of such importance should be given in the presence of as many Members as possible and not at the end of the week (the President pointed out that the item under discussion was the approval of the Minutes);

— Mr Falconer, on Question Time the previous evening.

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

2. Agenda

The President announced that, at its meeting the previous Tuesday, the Committee on Fisheries had decided to propose to the House application of the procedure without debate for two of its reports already entered on the following day's agenda by:

— Mr Girão Pereira on the proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplement to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on fishing off the coast of Mauritania for the period 15 November 1995 to 31 July 1996 (COM(95)0726 — C4-0114/96 — 96/0005(CNS)) (A4-0120/96) *.

— Mr Baldarelli on a proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 — C4-0069/96 — 95/0328(CNS)) (A4-0134/96) *

Parliament agreed to the proposal.

3. Commemoration of Altiero Spinelli

The President gave a speech to mark the 10th anniversary of the death of Altiero Spinelli.

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4. Agricultural prices * (vote)

Santini report (A4-0117/96)

(ams. 78, 79, 94, 95, 96 and 97 had been cancelled)

The President, pursuant to a recommendation by the Committee on Agriculture under Rule 114, held a collective vote on the proposals for Regulations to which there were no amendments.

PROPOSALS FOR REGULATIONS 12, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 23, 24 and 26 (COM(96)0044 — C4-0170, 0172, 0173, 0175, 0177, 0178, 0181, 0182 and 0184/96 — 96/0064, 0066, 0067, 0906, 0070, 0071, 0074, 0075 and 0907(CNS))

Parliament approved these proposals for Regulations collectively (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Parliament adopted collectively the legislative resolutions referring to these proposals for Regulations (*Part II, Item 1*).

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1. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0159/96 — 96/0056(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1 and 2 collectively; 68 by EV (168 for, 109 against, 9 abstentions); 3 by RCV; 4 by RCV; 5; 6; 7

Amendments rejected: 90; 99; 69; 64; 91; 70; 72 by RCV; 63 by RCV; 73 by RCV;

Amendments fallen: 71; 98

Separate votes: am. 5, 7 (UPE); 6 (EDN)

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Results of RCVs:

am. 3 (EDN):

Members voting:	301
For:	269
Against:	25
Abstentions:	7

am. 72 (EDN):

Members voting:	335
For:	87
Against:	244
Abstentions:	4

am. 4 (EDN, UPE):

Members voting:	339
For:	313
Against:	23
Abstentions:	3

am. 63 (V):

Members voting:	336
For:	68
Against:	259
Abstentions:	9

am. 73 (EDN):

Members voting:	345
For:	75
Against:	239
Abstentions:	31

(Mr Goepel had intended to vote against)

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

2. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0160/96 — 96/0057(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 8 to 11 collectivelyParliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

3. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0161/96 — 96/0058(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 12 to 17 collectivelyParliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

4. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0162/96 — 96/0059(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 18 and 19 collectivelyParliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

5. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0163/96 — 96/0060(CNS):

Amendments rejected: 55; 56; 54 by RCV;*Results of RCVs:*

am. 54 (EDN):

Members voting:	361
For:	54
Against:	297
Abstentions:	10

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

6. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0164/96 — 96/0903(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 104 by EV (199 for, 123 against, 38 abstentions); 20; 105 by EV (219 for, 114 against, 10 abstentions);Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

7. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0165/96 — 96/0061(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 21; 22;*Separate votes:* am. 22 (EDN)Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

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DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

8. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0166/96 — 96/0904(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 23 and 24 collectively;

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

9. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0167/96 — 96/0062(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 25 and 26 collectively; 27;

Separate votes: am. 27 (EDN);

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

10. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0168/96 — 96/0905(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 28 to 30 collectively;

Amendments rejected: 57 by EV (170 for, 207 against, 4 abstentions);

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

11. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0169/96 — 96/0063(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 31; 32; 33 by split vote;

Amendments rejected: 74; 75 by RCV;

Separate votes: 1st recital (PSE) by EV (210 for, 144 against, 9 abstentions); Art. 1(1) (Art. 4(2), 3rd subpara. (Regulation 1308/70)) (PSE) by EV (220 for, 148 against, 1 abstention); am. 33 (PPE);

Split votes:

am. 33 (PPE):

1st part: up to 'percentage of the overrun'
2nd part: remainder

Results of RCVs:

am. 75 (EDN):

Members voting:	376
For:	84
Against:	283
Abstentions:	9

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

13. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0171/96 — 96/0065(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 34 and 35 collectively;

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

16. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0174/96 — 96/0068(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 36; 37 by RCV; 76 by EV (218 for, 156 against, 5 abstentions); 100; 103; 62 by EV (199 for, 157 against, 26 abstentions); 38; 39; 40; 41; 42; 43; 44; 45 by RCV; 80;

Amendments rejected: 92 as amended; 61 by EV (168 for, 180 against, 14 abstentions); 66; 93; 67; 101 by RCV; 102 by EV (154 for, 189 against, 24 abstentions); 60 by EV (159 for, 194 against, 28 abstentions);

Amendments fallen: 77; 65; 58;

The following spoke during the vote:

— The President announced that the ARE Group wished to table an oral amendment to its own amendment No 92, deleting the words 'on pasture'; the President established that there was no opposition to this oral amendment being put to the vote, noting that as a result the EDN Group's request for a split vote, the aim of which was the same, would fall;

— the rapporteur proposed modifying ams. 62, 61, 66 and 67 by means of an oral amendment which he read out: 'the Commission shall adopt adequate administrative measures to ensure a ban on the granting of premiums for animals sacrificed in bullfights anywhere in the territory of the Union'; Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf agreed on behalf of the V Group to withdraw his Group's amendments Nos 66 and 67; Mrs Estevan Bolea opposed a vote on the oral amendment; Mr Murphy agreed to withdraw ams. 61 and 62, which he had co-authored, to make way for the oral amendment.

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The President then asked the House whether it was opposed to voting on the amendment and established that more than 12 Members were opposed. Consequently, in accordance with Rule 124(6), she did not put the oral amendment to the vote. The following then spoke: Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf who expressed astonishment at the opposition to the oral amendment, Mr Fabre-Aubrespy on the French version of am. 62, and Mr Colino Salamanca on the oral amendment (the President cut him off).

— the rapporteur on the question of whether ams. 77 and 65 had fallen;

— Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf asked for the end of am. 66 to be incorporated in am. 62 (the President refused, on the grounds that the procedure would be too complex);

— the rapporteur pointed out that a separate vote had been requested for am. 43.

Separate votes: am. 43, 44 (UPE); 42, 45 (EDN);

Results of RCVs:

am. 37 (EDN):

Members voting:	372
For:	359
Against:	4
Abstentions:	9

am. 101 (UPE):

Members voting:	378
For:	165
Against:	185
Abstentions:	28

am. 45 (EDN):

Members voting:	377
For:	351
Against:	23
Abstentions:	3

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution by RCV (PSE):

Members voting:	375
For:	349
Against:	7
Abstentions:	19

(*Part II, Item 1*).

18. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0176/96 — 96/0069(CNS):

Amendment adopted: 46

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

21. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0179/96 — 96/0072(CNS):

Amendments rejected: 81 (1st part) by RCV; 82 (1st part) by RCV;

Amendments fallen: 81 (2nd part); 82 (2nd part)

The following spoke during the vote:

— the rapporteur confirmed that the 2nd part of am. 81 fell as a result of the rejection of the 1st part

Split votes:

am. 81 (ELDR):

1st part: up to 'marketing year'
2nd part: remainder

am. 82 (ELDR):

1st part: up to '1997'
2nd part: remainder

Results of RCVs:

am. 81 (1st part) (EDN):

Members voting:	368
For:	70
Against:	292
Abstentions:	6

am. 82 (1st part) (EDN):

Members voting:	372
For:	76
Against:	291
Abstentions:	5

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

22. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0180/96 — 96/0073(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 47; 48;

Amendments rejected: 83 by RCV; 84; 85; 86 by RCV; 49

The following spoke during the vote:

— Mr Fabre-Aubrespy pointed out that am. 3 had not been tabled by the EDN Group alone and asked the President to read out the names of the other authors before it was put to the vote: the President did so.

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Results of RCVs:

am. 83 (EDN):	
Members voting:	377
For:	78
Against:	290
Abstentions:	9

am. 86 (EDN):	
Members voting:	362
For:	84
Against:	272
Abstentions:	6

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

25. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0183/96 — 96/0076(CNS):

(Mr Chesa had withdrawn his signature from am. 59)

Amendments rejected: 59 by RCV; 87; 88; 50 by EV (141 for, 217 against, 10 abstentions);

Amendment fallen: 89

Results of RCVs:

am. 59 (UPE, EDN):	
Members voting:	358
For:	80
Against:	273
Abstentions:	5

Parliament rejected the Commission proposal by RCV (EDN):

Members voting:	365
For:	152
Against:	209
Abstentions:	4

(*Part II, Item 1*)

(Mr Piquet had intended to vote against)

The matter was referred back to the committee responsible pursuant to Rule 59(3).

27. PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(96)0044 — C4-0185/96 — 96/0077(CNS):

Amendments rejected: 51; 52; 53;

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 1*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 1*).

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As the votes were running ahead of schedule, the President announced that she would call items due to be taken at 12 noon as soon as voting time was over.

5. Health and safety at work * (vote)

Skinner report — A4-0099/96

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION COM(95)0282 — C4-0386/95 — 95/0155(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1; 2; 3 and 4 collectively; 5; 6; 7; 8 and 9 collectively; 10 by EV (179 for, 129 against, 0 abstentions); 11, 13 and 14 collectively; 12; 15; 16; 17; 18; 19; 28;

Amendments rejected: 21; 22; 29 (1st part) by EV (130 for, 172 against, 2 abstentions); 24; 25; 26; 27;

Amendments fallen: 29 (2nd part); 23 and 20;

The following spoke during the vote:

— the rapporteur on am. 28

Separate votes: am. 5, 7, 12, 17 (UPE)

Split votes:

am. 29 (ELDR):

1st part: up to '50 employees'

2nd part: remainder

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 2*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 2*).

6. Commission activities in employment * (vote)

Papakyriazis report — A4-0127/96

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION COM(95)0250 — C4-0385/95 — 95/0149(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 6 collectively; 7; 8 by split vote;

Separate votes: am. 7 (UPE)

Split votes:

am. 8 (UPE):

1st part: 1st paragraph

2nd part: 2nd paragraph

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Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended by RCV (PSE):

Members voting:	319
For:	286
Against:	7
Abstentions:	26

(Part II, Item 3).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (Part II, Item 3).

7. SAB 1/96 – 1997 estimates (vote)

Reports by Mr Miranda (A4-0164/96) and Mr Fabra Vallés (A4-0162/96)

(a) A4-0164/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 1 by EV (173 for, 130 against, 3 abstentions);

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Parliament adopted the resolution (Part II, Item 4a)).

The rapporteur called on the Commission to present a preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget as soon as possible.

(b) A4-0162/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

(Mr Holm had also signed am. 1)

The rapporteur spoke.

Amendments adopted: 7 by EV (163 for, 149 against, 24 abstentions); 9 by RCV;

Amendments rejected: 2; 1 by RCV; 8; 5 by EV (155 for, 177 against, 11 abstentions);

Amendment cancelled: 3

Amendments withdrawn: 4, 6

The different parts of the text were adopted in order (para. 18 by EV (178 for, 138 against, 0 abstentions) and para. 25 by EV (173 for, 142 against, 7 abstentions).

The following spoke during the vote:

– Mr Tillich, on behalf of the PPE Group, took over am. 5 which had been withdrawn by its authors.

Separate votes: paras 18, 25 (PSE)

Results of RCVs:

am. 1 (V):	
Members voting:	328
For:	32
Against:	284
Abstentions:	12

(Mrs Lindholm had intended to vote in favour)

am. 9 (ARE):	
Members voting:	333
For:	314
Against:	15
Abstentions:	4

(Mrs Pery had intended to abstain)

Parliament adopted the resolution (Part II, Item 4(b)).

8. Discharge for implementation of 1994 budget (vote)

Dankert report – A4-0132/96

I. PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Amendments rejected: 1 by EV (138 for, 175 against, 5 abstentions)

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Parliament adopted the decision (Part II, Item 5).

II. PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Parliament adopted the decision (Part II, Item 5).

Mr Tomlinson asked for the Bureau to reconsider its position in the light of Parliament's decision on Section I, in particular with regard to the Strasbourg Chamber (the President noted his remarks).

9. 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994) (vote)

Mezzaroma report – A4-0102/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 5; 6; 11; 13; 3; 4;

Amendments rejected: 7 by EV (118 for, 192 against, 2 abstentions); 10; 2 by EV (122 for, 190 against, 6 abstentions); 12;

Amendment fallen: 1

Amendments cancelled: 8, 9

The different parts of the text were adopted in order (at the suggestion of the PPE Group, para. 11 was inserted after para. 2).

Recital F was rejected.

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Separate votes: recital F (UPE); para. 3, 1st subparagraph, 2nd indent (PPE) by EV (190 for, 115 against, 4 abstentions);

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 6*).

10. European Centre for Industrial Relations (vote)

Morris report — A4-0121/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 7*).

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Explanations of vote:

Santini report A4-0117/96

— *oral:* Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf and Mr Martinez

— *in writing:* Mrs Díez de Rivera Icaza, Mr Vieira; Mr Novo, Mr Wibe; Mr Lindqvist; Mrs Pery; Mr Burenstam Linder, Mrs Carlsson, Mr Stenmarck, Mrs Cederschiöld, Mr Virgin; Mr Langen; Mrs Lindholm; Mr Holm; and Mr Gahrton; Mr Souchet; Mr de Villiers

Skinner report A4-0099/96

— *in writing:* Mr Amadeo and Mrs Lis Jensen

Papakyriazis report A4-0127/96

— *oral:* Mr Berthu

Dankert report A4-0132/96

— *in writing:* Mr Wibe; Mr Gahrton, Mrs Lindholm and Mr Holm

Fabra Vallés report A4-0162/96

— *oral:* Mrs Hautala and Mrs Thyssen

— *in writing:* Mr Wibe; Mr Fayot; Mr Andersson, Mrs Hulthén, Mrs Theorin, Mrs Ahlqvist, Mr Waidelich, Mrs Lööv; Mr Lindqvist, Mr Gahrton; Mrs Lindholm and Mr Holm

rapport Mezzaroma A4-0102/96

— *in writing:* Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen, Mr Blak; Mr Sindal and Mrs Lis Jensen

rapport Morris A4-0121/96

— *in writing:* Mr Wibe; Mrs Kirsten M. Jensen, Mr Blak and Mr Sindal

END OF VOTING TIME

11. Official welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation from the Moldovan Parliament, led by its deputy speaker Mr Diacov, who had taken their seats in the official gallery.

12. Assistance to West Bank and Gaza Strip (debate)

Mr Gahrton introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy, on the Commission communication to the Council and European Parliament on future European Union economic assistance to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip (COM(95)0505 — C4-0488/95) (A4-0129/96).

Mr Dimitrakopoulos, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on External Economic Relations, spoke.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr IMBENI

Vice-President

The following spoke Mrs Guinebertière, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Nordmann, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Pradier, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Caudron, chairman of the Delegation for relations with Israel, Mr Goerens, Mr Cohn-Bendit, Mrs Van Bladel, Mrs Hawlicek, Mrs Dury, Mr Van der Waal, on behalf of the EDN Group, and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 24.5.1996, Part I, Item 11.

13. Population policies in developing countries **I (debate)

Mr Nordmann introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Development and Cooperation, on the proposal for a Council Regulation on aid for population policies and programmes in the developing countries (COM(95)0295 — C4-0421/95 — 95/0166(SYN)) (A4-0122/96).

The following spoke: Mrs Kinnock, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Carlo Casini, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Mezzaroma, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Mendonça, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Svensson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Souchet, on behalf of the EDN Group, Mr Lukas, Non-attached Member, Mr Cunningham, Mr Liese, Mr Garosci and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

Mr Fabre-Aubrespy asked for the Commission's unilateral decision to suspend the application of the Lomé Convention to Equatorial Guinea to be referred to the Development Committee as the committee responsible.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 24.5.1996, Part I, Item 10.

14. Communication of common positions of the Council

Pursuant to Rule 64(1), the President announced that he had received from the Council, in accordance with Articles 189b and 189c of the EC Treaty, the following common positions, together with the reasons which had led to their adoption, and the Commission's positions:

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— Common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a Council Regulation on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (C4-0285/96 — 00/0370(SYN))

referred to
responsible: ENVI
opinion: ECON, LEGA, RELA

legal base: Art. 130s(1) EC

— Common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Directive on textile names (C4-0286/96 — 94/0005(COD))

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: ECON, RELA

legal base: Art. 100a EC

— Common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Directive on certain methods for the quantitative analysis of binary textile fibre mixtures (C4-0287/96 — 94/0008(COD))

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: ECON

legal base: Art. 100a EC

— Common position adopted by the Council with a view to adopting a European Parliament and Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of aromatized wines, aromatized wine-based drinks and aromatized wine-product cocktails (C4-0288/96 — 95/0287(COD))

referred to
responsible: AGRI
opinion: BUDG

legal base: Art. 043 EC, Art. 100a EC

The three-month period available to Parliament to deliver its opinion would therefore begin the following day, 24 May 1996.

However, given the complexity of the subject of the common position on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (C4-0285/96 — 00/0370(SYN)), the chairman and rapporteur of the committee responsible had stated that an extra month was necessary. A letter to this effect would be sent to the President-in-Office of the Council.

(The sitting was suspended at 1.15 and resumed at 3 p.m.)

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs SCHLEICHER

Vice-President

On behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs Lalumière objected to what she saw as the misuse of topical and urgent matters: on the one hand there was no item to cover the extremely urgent subject of the UK Prime Minister's threat to block business in the European Institutions if the Union failed to lift the embargo on exports of British beef while on the other, there was an item on the right to life of the disabled, a subject which deserved careful consideration and a wide-ranging debate and which was not simply an urgent question (the President noted her remarks, adding that, in her view, the Bureau should look into this problem as soon as possible).

TOPICAL AND URGENT DEBATE

The next item was the topical and urgent debate (for titles and authors of motions for resolutions, see Minutes of 21.5.1996, Part I, Item 16).

15. Anti-personnel mines (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on seven motions for resolutions (B4-0582, 0596, 0602, 0613, 0629, 0646 and 0656/96)

The following introduced motions for resolutions: Mr La Malfa, Mr Macartney, Mrs Baldi, Mrs d'Ancona, Mrs Hautala and Mr Fabra Vallés.

The following spoke: Mrs André-Léonard, on behalf of the ELDR Group, and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 20.

16. Free movement of agricultural products (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on five motions for resolutions (B4-0597, 0603, 0617, 0652 and 0660/96).

The following introduced motions for resolutions: Mr Vallvé, Mr Cabezón Alonso, Mrs Ferrer and Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf.

The following spoke: Mrs Redondo Jiménez, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Marset Campos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 21.

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17. Human rights (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on 25 motions for resolutions (B4-0586, 0605, 0623, 0638, 0657, 0599, 0624, 0631, 0635, 0588, 0608, 0630, 0642, 0648, 0607, 0625, 0637, 0640, 0651, 0606, 0621, 0647, 0636, 0649 and 0650/96).

The following introduced motions for resolutions: Mr Fassa, Mrs González Álvarez, Mr Kreissl-Dörfler, Mr Camisón Asensio, Mrs d'Ancona on Mr Camisón Asensio's remarks, Mr Fassa, Mrs Hardstaff, Mr Pettinari, Mrs Müller, Mrs André-Léonard, Mr Pettinari, Mrs d'Ancona, Mr Gahrton, Mr Moorhouse, Mr Papayannakis, Mrs d'Ancona, Mrs Schroedter, Mrs Ainardi, Mrs Lindeperg, Mr Cohn-Bendit, Mr Ripa di Meana, Mr Moorhouse, Mr Liese, Mr Howitt and Mr Tamino.

The following spoke: Mrs d'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr McMillan-Scott, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Girão Pereira, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr La Malfa, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs McKenna, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Dupuis, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Vanhecke, Non-attached Member, Mr Newens, and Mr von Habsburg.

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs PERY

Vice-President

The following spoke: Mrs André-Léonard, Mrs Breyer, Mrs Izquierdo Rojo, Mr Fourçans, Mrs Larive, Mr Cox and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 22.

18. Cambodia (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on five motions for resolutions (B4-0598, 0612, 0627, 0644 and 0653/96).

The following introduced motions for resolutions: Mr Eisma, Mrs Van Bladel, Mr Gahrton and Mrs Maij-Weggen.

Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission, spoke.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 23.

19. Liberia (debate)

The next item was a joint debate on three motions for resolutions (B4-0632, 0633 and 0634/96).

The following introduced motions for resolutions: Mrs Ferrer, Mr Cabezón Alonso and Mr Dell'Alba.

The following spoke: Mrs Díez de Rivera Icaza, Mrs Maij-Weggen, Mr Pettinari, Mrs Taubira-Delannon, Mr Amadeo and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Item 24.

VOTE

20. Anti-personnel mines (vote)

Motions for resolutions B4-0582, 0596, 0602, 0613, 0629, 0646 and 0656/96

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0582, 0596, 0602, 0613, 0629, 0646 and 0656/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
d'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Oostlander, Fabra Vallés, Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Ligabue, Pasty and Caligaris, on behalf of the UPE Group,
André-Léonard, Bertens, La Malfa and Cunha, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Piquet, Sierra González, Manisco, Ribeiro, Ephremidis, Sjöstedt and Alavanos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Telkämper and Hautala, on behalf of the V Group,
Pradier, Mamère, Macartney, on behalf of the ARE Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

Amendments adopted: 2 by EV (61 for, 52 against, 3 abstentions); 1 by EV (78 for, 69 against, 4 abstentions)

Amendment rejected: 3

The different parts of the text were adopted in order, para. 2 by split vote.

The following spoke during the vote:

- Mrs d'Ancona and Mrs Van Lancker on procedure before the vote on am. 1.

Split votes:

para. 2 (V):

1st part: up to 'the Commission and Council'

2nd part: remainder

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 8*).

21. Free movement of agricultural products (vote)

Motions for resolutions B4-0597, 0603, 0617, 0652 and 0660/96

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0597, 0603, 0617, 0652 and 0660/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Colino Salamanca, Cabezón Alonso, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Ferrer, Redondo Jiménez, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Mulder, Gasòliba i Böhm, Vallvé, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Jové Peres, Ephremidis, Sornosa Martínez, Sierra González, Marset Campos, Mohamed Ali, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Graefe zu Baringdorf, on behalf of the V Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

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Amendments rejected: 1; 2

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 9*).

22. Human rights (vote)

Motions for resolutions B4-0586, 0605, 0623, 0638, 0657, 0599, 0624, 0631, 0635, 0588, 0608, 0630, 0642, 0648, 0607, 0625, 0637, 0640, 0651, 0606, 0621, 0647, 0636, 0649 and 0650/96

Brazil

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0586, 0605, 0623, 0638, 0657/96

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Katiforis, Howitt, Miranda de Lage, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Camisón Asensio, Heinisch, García-Margallo y Marfil, Lenz, Galeote Quecedo, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Girão Pereira, Pasty, Ligabue, on behalf of the UPE Group,
Pimenta, Goerens, André-Léonard, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
González Álvarez, Ribeiro, Novo, Ainardi, Vinci, Marset Campos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Kreissl-Dörfler, on behalf of the V Group,
Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10(a)*).

Nigeria

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0599, 0624, 0631, 0635/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Hardstaff, Kinnock, Waddington, Cunningham, Needle, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Fassa, André-Léonard, Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Pettinari, Miranda, Gutiérrez Díaz, Paillier, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Müller, Telkämper, McKenna, Aelvoet, on behalf of the V Group,
Macartney, on behalf of the ARE Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

The different parts of the text were adopted in order, para. 6 by split vote and para. 10 by EV (92 for, 73 against, 1 abstention).

Split votes:

para. 6 (PPE):

1st part: up to 'Nigerian Government': adopted
2nd part: remainder: adopted by EV (85 for, 78 against, 0 abstentions)

Separate votes: para. 10 (PPE)

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10(b)*).

Burma

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0588, 0608, 0630, 0642, 0648/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
d'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Moorhouse and Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the PPE Group,
La Malfa and Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Vinci and Sornosa Martínez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group,
Vandemeulebroucke and Leperre-Verrier, on behalf of the ARE Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10(c)*).

Freedom of expression in Albania and Belarus

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0607, 0625, 0637, 0640, 0651/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Hoff, Occhetto, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Lenz, on behalf of the PPE Group,
La Malfa, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Alavanos, Sornosa Martínez, Ephremidis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Schroedter, Aelvoet, Tamino, on behalf of the V Group,
to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10(d)*).

Tunisia

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0606, 0621, 0647/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Lindeperg, Kouchner, Sakellariou, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Moorhouse, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Elmalan, Sierra González, Svensson, Ephremidis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Cohn-Bendit, on behalf of the V Group
(the PPE Group had withdrawn its signature)
to replace these motions with a new text:

Except for para. 2 on which there was a split vote with the first part being rejected, the different parts of the text were adopted in order, the recitals and para. 1 by EV (93 for, 83 against, 0 abstentions) and paras. 3 to 5 by EV (97 for, 93 against, 0 abstentions).

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Split votes:

para. 2 (ELDR):

1st part: text without the words 'and put an end to the distortion between the laws and their actual implementation by the public administration and the judicial system': rejected by EV (89 for, 89 against, 2 abstentions)

2nd part: fallen

Parliament adopted the resolution by RCV (UPE):

Members voting:	191
For:	97
Against:	91
Abstentions:	3

(*Part II, Item 10(e)*).

Tibet

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0636 and 0649/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
d'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Moorhouse and Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Larive and André-Léonard, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Aglietta and Orlando, on behalf of the V Group,
Dupuis, Dell'Alba and Mamère, on behalf of the ARE Group,

(Mr Ripa di Meana was also a signatory)

to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10(f)*).

Right to life of the disabled

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B4-0650/96:

The following spoke:

- Mr Howitt on the English version of the motion for a resolution;
- Mr Liese, firstly in support of Mr Howitt and, secondly, to ask the GUE/NGL Group, which had tabled amendments, whether it could agree for ams. 1, 2, 3 and 8 to be taken as additions and for the other amendments to be withdrawn;
- On behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Pettinari refused.

Amendments adopted: 10; 11; 12; 13; 14; 9

Amendments rejected: 1 by EV (83 for, 104 against, 0 abstentions); 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8;

The different parts of the text were adopted in order, the 4th citation by separate vote (GUE/NGL) and recital A by EV (103 for, 68 against, 6 abstentions).

Parliament adopted the resolution by EV (108 for, 79 against, 1 abstention), (*Part II, Item 10(g)*).

On behalf of the ELDR Group Mr De Vries pointed out that his group had not taken part in the vote as it considered the subject to be too important to be included in the topical and urgent debate.

23. Cambodia (vote)

Motions for resolutions B4-0598, 0612, 0627, 0644 and 0653/96

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0598, 0612, 0627, 0644 and 0653/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Van Bladel, Kenneth D. Collins, Malone, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Moorhouse and Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Pasty and Ligabue, on behalf of the UPE Group,
Eisma and Bertens, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Vinci, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group,
- to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 11*).

24. Liberia (vote)

Motions for resolutions B4-0632, 0633 and 0634/96

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0632, 0633 and 0634/96:

- joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Pons Grau, Díez de Rivera Icaza, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Ferrer, Maij-Weggen, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Pasty, Ligabue, on behalf of the UPE Group,
André-Léonard, Fassa, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
Pettinari, Pailler, Carnero González, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Aelvoet, Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group,
Dell'Alba, on behalf of the ARE Group,
- to replace these motions with a new text:

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 12*).

END OF TOPICAL AND URGENT DEBATE

IN THE CHAIR: Mr GUTIÉRREZ DÍAZ

Vice-President

25. Habitat II (statement followed by debate)

Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission, made a statement on the United Nations Habitat II Conference in Istanbul.

The following spoke: Mr Kerr, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mrs Glase, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mrs Baldi, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mrs Boogerd-Quaak, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mrs González Álvarez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mrs Roth, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Dupuis, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mrs Frutos Gama and Mr Marín.

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The President announced that he had received motions for resolutions pursuant to Rule 37(2) from the following Members:

- Hughes, on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, on the UN Habitat II Conference: 'the City Summit', Istanbul, June 1996 (B4-0581/96);
- Eisma and Pimenta, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on a European Strategy for the Habitat II process (B4-0590/96);
- Papayannakis, González Álvarez, Bertinotti, Pailler, Ribeiro, Stenius-Kaukonen and Theonas, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the United Nations Habitat II Conference (B4-0591/96);
- Roth and others, on behalf of the V Group, on a European strategy for human settlements (B4-0592/96);
- Van Putten and d'Ancona, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the Habitat II Conference (B4-0601/96).

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 24.5.1996, Part I, Item 12.

26. Trade and environment (debate)

Mr Kreissl-Dörfler introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations, on the negotiations in the World Trade Organization (WTO) on trade and the environment (A4-0156/96).

The following spoke: Mr Eisma, deputizing for Mr Pimenta, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Mr Pex, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Novo, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Lannoye, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Weber, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr Carl Lang, Non-attached Member, Mr Smith, Mr Nußbaumer and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 24.5.1996, Part I, Item 13.

27. Cooperation with countries of Central and Eastern Europe (debate)

Mr Pex introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations, on the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on industrial cooperation with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (COM(95)0071 — C4-0108/95) (A4-0084/96).

The following spoke: Mr Sindal, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Oostlander, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Mr Novo, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mrs Schroedter, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Nußbaumer, Non-attached Member, Mr Féret and Mr Marín, Vice-President of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Minutes of 24.5.1996, Part I, Item 14.

28. Written declarations (Rule 48)

Written declaration 4/96 had not obtained the required number of signatures and had therefore lapsed, pursuant to Rule 48(5).

29. Agenda for next sitting

The President announced the following agenda for the sitting of Friday 24 May 1996:

9 a.m.

- Mezzaroma report on European Observatory for SMEs (Rule 52)
- Sornosa Martínez report on Cohesion Fund (Rule 52)
- procedures without report *
- Baldarelli report on fishing in Mediterranean * (without debate)
- Girão Pereira report on fishing off Mauritania * (without debate)
- votes on texts on which the debate had closed
- Jové Peres report on agricultural statistics * (1)
- Crepez report on balanced participation of women and men in decision-taking * (1)
- Commission statement on trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya (followed by debate) (1)

(The sitting closed at 7.20 p.m.)

(1) Texts would be put to the vote at the close of the debate.

Enrico VINCI
Secretary-General

Ursula SCHLEICHER
Vice-President

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PART II

Texts adopted by the European Parliament

1. Agricultural prices *

A4-0117/96

1. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1541/93 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0159/96 – 96/0056(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 1)	
<i>Recital 1</i>	
Whereas, in order to qualify for the compensatory payments for arable crops introduced by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2989/952, farmers must set aside a percentage of their land; whereas, so as to prevent this compulsory set-aside only being carried out on a farm's marginal land, it is laid down that the set-aside must be rotational; whereas it is also laid down that the set-aside may be other than rotational <i>provided that the percentage of land set aside is increased;</i>	Whereas, in order to qualify for the compensatory payments for arable crops introduced by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2989/95, farmers must set aside a percentage of their land; whereas, so as to prevent this compulsory set-aside only being carried out on a farm's marginal land, it is laid down that the set-aside must be rotational; whereas it is also laid down that the set-aside may be other than rotational;
(Amendment 2)	
<i>Recital 2</i>	
Whereas experience has shown that farmers have a marked preference for other than rotational set-aside, because of the simplification that this can involve for the management of their cultivation plan; whereas, furthermore, a single rate of set-aside is more appropriate for set-aside used as a tool for the management of the markets for arable crops; whereas it should therefore no longer be required to carry out set-aside on a rotational basis and a single rate of set-aside should be set; <i>whereas the abolition of compulsory rotation must not be allowed to weaken the reform of the common agricultural policy with regard to the control of production of arable crops; whereas account must be taken of this when setting the single rate of compulsory set-aside;</i>	Whereas experience has shown that farmers have a marked preference for other than rotational set-aside, because of the simplification that this can involve for the management of their cultivation plan; whereas, furthermore, a single rate of set-aside is more appropriate for set-aside used as a tool for the management of the markets for arable crops; whereas it should therefore no longer be required to carry out set-aside on a rotational basis and a single rate of set-aside should be set; whereas it is necessary to avoid the risk of farmers having imposed upon them a single rate of set-aside which is excessively high in relation to the present situation on the world and Community markets, in the event of it not being possible to set a more appropriate rate before the beginning of the next marketing year;
(Amendment 68)	
<i>Recital 2a (new)</i>	
Whereas, since the introduction of the new support scheme for producers of arable crops, the cereals market has	

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 1.

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achieved a better balance thanks to the fall in production and the increase in domestic consumption; whereas the current situation on the international cereals market makes it difficult to supply both Community users and some third countries that are net importers of cereals who are faced with an increase in the price of their imports; whereas the current level of stocks is so low that an early decision to reduce the rate of set-aside for the forthcoming sowing season is justified;

(Amendment 3)

Recital 4a (new)

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 contains various compensatory payments which must be made to the applicant at different times in the year; whereas to reduce administration it would be advisable to grant the compensatory payments for cereals and protein crops, the set-aside payment and the increased advance for the oilseeds compensatory payment in a single amount between 16 and 31 October; whereas the remainder of the oilseed compensatory payment, which can be finally calculated only in January, should be paid together with the compensatory payments for the new marketing year in the following October or November; whereas it will thus be possible to make all the payments granted under this Regulation as a single transfer each year;

(Amendment 4)

ARTICLE 1(1)

Article 7(1)(a) (Regulation No 1765/92)

(a) the second and third subparagraphs of paragraph 1 are replaced by the following:

'The set-aside requirement shall be 18%';

(a) the second and third subparagraphs of paragraph 1 are replaced by the following:

'The set-aside requirement shall be 10%';

(Amendment 5)

ARTICLE 1(1a) (new)

Article 10(1) (Regulation No 1765/92)

1a. Article 10(1) is replaced by the following:

'1. The compensatory payments for cereals and protein crops, as well as the compensation for the set-aside obligation and advances for oilseed compensation payments shall be paid between 16 and 31 October next following the harvest. The remainder of the oilseed compensatory payment shall be paid at the same time as the compensatory payments for the following year.'

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(Amendment 6)

*ARTICLE 1(1b) (new)**Article 11(2) (Regulation No 1765/92)***1b. Article 11(2), first sentence is replaced by the following:****'2. Producers who apply for an oilseed compensation payment shall be entitled to an advance payment of no more than 70% of the Projected Regional Reference Amount.'**

(Amendment 7)

*ARTICLE 1(1c) (new)**Article 11(6) (Regulation No 1765/92)***1c. Article 11(6) is replaced by the following:****'6. The timetable of the regionalized system of payments to applicants shall be established by the Commission, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 38 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC ⁽¹⁾, taking into account Article 10(1) and Article 11(2).'**⁽¹⁾ OJ L 172, 30.9.1966, p. 3025.**Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1541/93 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0159/96 – 96/0056(CNS))**

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0056(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 42 and 43 of the Treaty (C4-0159/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 1.

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2. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the monthly price increases for cereals for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0160/96 – 96/0057(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

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(Amendment 8)

Recital 2a (new)

Whereas for the next marketing year it is appropriate to maintain the monthly increases at the same level as the previous marketing year, in order to distribute the disposal of stocks more evenly over the marketing year;

(Amendment 9)

Recital 3a (new)

Whereas the quality criteria for taking cereals into intervention affect both the market price and the monthly price increases; whereas the provision allowing cereals with a moisture content of 15% to be taken into intervention under certain conditions expires with the 1995/96 marketing year; whereas it would be advisable to keep this provision in the 1996/97 marketing year; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 689/92 ⁽¹⁾ should therefore be extended;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 74, 20.3.1992, p. 18.

(Amendment 10)

Article 1, Table

	(ECU/t) Monthly increase in the intervention price		(ECU/t) Monthly increase in the intervention price
July 1996	—	July 1996	—
August 1996	—	August 1996	—
September 1996	—	September 1996	—
October 1996	—	October 1996	—
November 1996	1,1	November 1996	1,3
December 1996	2,2	December 1996	2,6
January 1997	3,3	January 1997	3,9
February 1997	4,4	February 1997	5,2
March 1997	5,5	March 1997	6,5
April 1997	6,6	April 1997	7,8
May 1997	7,7	May 1997	9,1
June 1997	7,7	June 1997	9,1

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 3.

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(Amendment 11)

Article 1a (new)

Article 1a

The Commission shall submit a proposal for the extension of Regulation (EEC) No 689/92 for the 1996/97 marketing year extending for the 1996/97 marketing year the current provisions on maximum moisture content for cereals taken into intervention.

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(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0057(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty (C4-0160/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 3.

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3. Proposal for a Council Regulation introducing a specific measure in respect of certain grain legumes (COM(96)0044 – C4-0161/96 – 96/0058(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 12)	
<i>Recital 3</i>	
Whereas the objective of maintaining such crops may be achieved by granting aid per hectare; <i>whereas the aid must be fixed at a rate enabling the abovementioned objective to be achieved</i> ; whereas the current rate of aid of ECU 181 per hectare is satisfactory;	Whereas the objective of maintaining such crops, in which there is a considerable shortfall in the Union , may be achieved by granting aid per hectare; whereas a rate of aid of ECU 190 per hectare may be considered satisfactory;
(Amendment 13)	
<i>Recital 4</i>	
Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 of 30 June 1992 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No ..., lays down constraints on areas on which the compensatory aid is payable, in particular in respect of oilseeds; whereas the cultivation of such grain legumes provides a viable alternative and prevents imbalance on the Community market; whereas, however, too great an extension of areas under such crops should be avoided; whereas that can be achieved by fixing a maximum guaranteed area of 400 000 hectares,	Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 of 30 June 1992 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No ..., lays down constraints on areas on which the compensatory aid is payable, in particular in respect of oilseeds; whereas the cultivation of such grain legumes provides a viable alternative and prevents imbalance on the Community market; whereas, however, too great an extension of areas under such crops should be avoided; whereas that can be achieved by fixing a maximum guaranteed area of 450 000 hectares,
(Amendment 14)	
<i>Article 1, third indent a (new)</i>	
– kidney beans covered by CN code 0713 33 90.	
(Amendment 15)	
<i>Article 2(2)</i>	
2. Without prejudice to Article 3, the aid per hectare of area sown and harvested shall be ECU 181/ha.	2. Without prejudice to Article 3, the aid per hectare of area sown and harvested shall be ECU 190 /ha.
(Amendment 16)	
<i>Article 2(2a) (new)</i>	
2a. The compensatory aid granted for kidney beans under Article 1 shall be equal to the compensatory aid granted for the irrigated arable crops of each area.	

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 5.

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(Amendment 17)

Article 3

Where the areas sown to the grain legumes covered by Article 1 exceed a maximum guaranteed area of 400 000 hectares, the aid in respect of the current marketing year shall be reduced proportionately.

Where the areas sown to the grain legumes covered by Article 1 exceed a maximum guaranteed area of **450 000** hectares, the aid in respect of the current marketing year shall be reduced proportionately.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation introducing a specific measure in respect of certain grain legumes (COM(96)0044 – C4-0161/96 – 96/0058(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0058(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 42 and 43 of the Treaty (C4-0161/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 5.

4. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the monthly price increases for paddy rice for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0162/96 – 96/0059(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
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(Amendment 18)

Recital 2a (new)

Whereas the entry into force of the reform of the common organization of the market in rice and the relevant price

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 7.

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reductions threaten to bring this sector into a state of crisis; whereas it is therefore appropriate to maintain the monthly increases at the same level as the previous marketing year;

(Amendment 19)

Article 1

For the 1996/97 marketing year, the monthly increases provided for in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 3072 shall be ECU 2,06/t for the intervention price.

For the 1996/97 marketing year, the monthly increases provided for in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 3072 shall be ECU 2,28/t for the intervention price.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the monthly price increases for paddy rice for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0162/96 – 96/0059(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0059(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 42 and 43 of the Treaty (C4-0162/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 7.

5. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing certain sugar prices and the standard quality of beet for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0163/96 – 96/0060(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing certain sugar prices and the standard quality of beet for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0163/96 – 96/0060(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0060(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council (C4-0163/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 8.

6. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the derived intervention prices for white sugar, the intervention price for raw sugar, the minimum prices for A and B beet and the amount of compensation for storage costs for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0164/96 – 96/0903(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

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(Amendment 104)

Recital 6a (new)

Whereas in order to ensure normal supplies in certain EU regions which have suffered exceptional conditions such as drought, management measures may be adopted such as reducing the period of compulsory storage for carried over sugar;

(Amendment 20)

ARTICLE 4

The reimbursement referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) N° 1785/81 shall be ECU 0,41/100 kg white sugar per month.

The reimbursement referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) N° 1785/81 shall be ECU 0,45/100 kg white sugar per month.

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 10.

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(Amendment 105)

*ARTICLE 4a (new)**Article 27(4a) (new) (Regulation 1785/81)***Article 4a****The following paragraph 4a is added to Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81:**

'4a. In the event of natural disasters (drought, etc.) affecting an EU region and when application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article cannot ensure normal supplies to that region, it may be decided, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 41, to reduce the one- year period of compulsory storage for a quantity of sugar sufficient to ensure normal supplies for the region concerned.'

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the derived intervention prices for white sugar, the intervention price for raw sugar, the minimum prices for A and B beet and the amount of compensation for storage costs for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0164/96 – 96/0903(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0903(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council (C4-0164/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendment;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 10.

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7. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation No 136/66/EEC on the establishment of a common organization of the market in oils and fats (COM(96)0044 – C4-0165/96 – 96/0061(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
	Amendment 21)
	ARTICLE 1(1)
	<i>Article 2a(2), first indent (Regulation No 136/66)</i>
– <i>partially or fully suspend the application of common customs duties to olive oil, and establish the detailed arrangements for any such suspension.</i>	Deleted
	(Amendment 22)
	ARTICLE 1(2)
	<i>Article 11(1) (Regulation No 136/66)</i>
2. <i>Article 11(1) is replaced by the following:</i>	Deleted
‘1. <i>Where the production target price, less production aid, is greater than the representative market price for olive oil, a consumption aid shall be granted for olive oil placed on the Community market. This aid shall be equal to the difference between these two amounts.</i> ’	

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 12.

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(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0061(CNS) (1),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0165/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;

(1) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 12.

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3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

8. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 3089/78 laying down general rules in respect of aid for the consumption of olive oil (COM(96)0044 – C4-0166/96 – 96/0904(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 23)	
<i>ARTICLE 1(1)</i>	
<i>Article 4(1) (Regulation No 3089/78)</i>	
1. <i>In the introductory lines of Article 4(1) the words 'produced in the Community' are deleted.</i>	Deleted
(Amendment 24)	
<i>ARTICLE 1(2)</i>	
<i>Article 7(a) and (b) (Regulation No 3089/78)</i>	
2. <i>In Article 7(a) and (b) the words 'of Community origin' are deleted.</i>	Deleted

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 14.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 3089/78 laying down general rules in respect of aid for the consumption of olive oil (COM(96)0044 – C4-0166/96 – 96/0904(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0904(CNS) (1),
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0166/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;

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3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

9. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996/97 marketing year, the prices, aids and percentages of aid to be retained in the olive oil sector (COM(96)0044 – C4-0167/96 – 96/0062(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
	(Amendment 25)
	<i>Recital 2a (new)</i>
	Whereas the intervention price for olive oil was reduced from ECU 191,92 to ECU 186 per 100 kg for the marketing year 1995/96 as a result of the maximum guaranteed quantity being exceeded during the marketing years 1993/94 and 1994/95; whereas, however, such penalization cannot be applied in the marketing year 1996/97 too;
	(Amendment 26)
	<i>ARTICLE 1(1)(b)</i>
(b) intervention price: ECU 186,17/100 kg	(b) intervention price: ECU 191,92 /100 kg
	(Amendment 27)
	<i>ARTICLE 5(2a) (new)</i>
	<i>Article 11(6) (Regulation No 136/66/EEC)</i>
	2a. The following sentence is added to Article 11(6) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC:
	'Programmes to promote the consumption of table olives shall be implemented both within the EU and in third countries.'

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 16.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996/97 marketing year, the prices, aids and percentages of aid to be retained in the olive oil sector (COM(96)0044 – C4-0167/96 – 96/0062(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0062(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0167/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 16.

10. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1554/95 laying down the general rules for the system of aid for cotton and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0168/96 – 96/0905(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
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(Amendment 28)

Recital 1

Whereas the second subparagraph of Article 5(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 ⁽¹⁾ provides in particular for the possibility of lodging an application for aid before the application for supervised storage; whereas use of this provision has caused distortions of competition between operators; whereas, therefore, the provision should be withdrawn;

Whereas it is necessary to maintain unchanged the present system of lodging applications, since the reform of the common organization of the market in cotton entered into force only a short time ago and there is no need to make substantial changes to it at present;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 30.6.1995, p. 48.

(Amendment 29)

ARTICLE 1(1)

Article 5(2), second subparagraph (Regulation No 1554/95)

1. The second subparagraph of paragraph 2 is deleted. Deleted

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 18.

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(Amendment 30)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 5(3) (Regulation (EC) No 1554/95)

3. Entitlement to the aid shall be acquired when the cotton is ginned. However, aid may be paid in advance from 16 October following the start of the marketing year when the unginned cotton enters the cotton ginning undertaking, provided that an adequate security has been lodged. The amount of the advance shall be calculated using the procedure laid down in Article 11(1). The level of the advance shall be equal to the guide price minus the world price and reduced further by an amount calculated using the method provided for in Article 6, but replacing actual production by the estimated production of unginned cotton plus 15%. Any aid balance outstanding shall be paid once the actual quantity produced has been determined and any adjustments to the aid as referred to in Article 2(3) and (4) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1964/87, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1553/95, have been made. It shall be paid before the end of the marketing year, at the latest.

3. Entitlement to the aid shall be acquired when the cotton is ginned. However, aid may be paid in advance from 16 October following the start of the marketing year when the unginned cotton enters the cotton ginning undertaking, provided that an adequate security has been lodged. The amount of the advance shall be calculated using the procedure laid down in Article 11(1). The level of the advance shall be equal to the guide price minus the world price and reduced further by an amount calculated using the method provided for in Article 6, but replacing actual production by the estimated production of unginned cotton plus 8%. Any aid balance outstanding shall be paid once the actual quantity produced has been determined and any adjustments to the aid as referred to in Article 2(3) and (4) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1964/87, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1553/95, have been made. It shall be paid before the end of the marketing year, at the latest.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 laying down the general rules for the system of aid for cotton and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0168/96 – 96/0905(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0905(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0168/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 18.

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11. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 on the common organization of the market in flax and hemp (COM(96)0044 – C4-0169/96 – 96/0063(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 31)

Recital 2

Whereas, in recent years, there have been sudden, large fluctuations in the market price of fibre and, consequently, of Community areas sown to flax; whereas, in order to promote market stability and to prevent too great an increase in budget expenditure, a maximum guaranteed area should be introduced with a reduction in the level of aid *in proportion to* any overrun of that area; whereas, given the need for the farmers concerned to adjust to the new system, it should be introduced from the 1997/98 marketing year;

Whereas, in recent years, there have been sudden, large fluctuations in the market price of fibre and, consequently, of Community areas sown to flax; whereas, in order to promote market stability and to prevent too great an increase in budget expenditure, a maximum guaranteed area should be introduced with a reduction in the level of aid **for** any overrun of that area **such that the sowing of an area larger than the maximum guaranteed area is discouraged**; whereas, given the need for the farmers concerned to adjust to the new system, it should be introduced from the 1997/98 marketing year;

(Amendment 32)

Recital 3a (new)

Whereas the use of agricultural products for non-food purposes must be encouraged; whereas fibre plants in particular are especially suitable for this purpose;

(Amendment 33)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 4(2)a (Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70)

2a. The aid for flax referred to in paragraph 1 shall be granted for a maximum guaranteed area. That area shall be 81 500 hectares for each marketing year. Where, in a given marketing year, the areas actually sown and harvested exceed the maximum guaranteed area, the aid for that marketing year, where appropriate reduced by the amount referred to in Article 2(3), shall be reduced in each Member State by the percentage of the overrun. *The reduction to be applied* shall be set in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 12.

2a. The aid for flax referred to in paragraph 1 shall be granted for a maximum guaranteed area. That area shall be **103 000** hectares for each marketing year. Where, in a given marketing year, the areas actually sown and harvested exceed the maximum guaranteed area, the aid for that marketing year, where appropriate reduced by the amount referred to in Article 2(3), shall be reduced in each Member State by the percentage of the overrun.

Where the overrun of the maximum guaranteed area exceeds a certain threshold percentage special rules shall apply. Provided the threshold percentage is not exceeded the reduction shall be the same in all Member States. Where the threshold percentage is exceeded appropriate additional reductions shall be applied in those Member

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 20.

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TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSIONAMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

States where the average area sown for the 1993, 1994 and 1995 harvests has been exceeded. The amount and distribution of any such reductions shall be set in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 12, such that the average weighted reduction corresponds, for the Community as a whole, to the percentage by which the maximum guaranteed area has been overrun.

The threshold percentage shall be 5% for the marketing years 1997/98, 1998/99 and 1999/2000.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 on the common organization of the market in flax and hemp (COM(96)0044 – C4-0169/96 – 96/0063(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0063(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0169/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 20.

12. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the aid for fibre flax and hemp and the amount withheld to finance measures to promote the use of flax fibre for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0170/96 – 96/0064(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the aid for fibre flax and hemp and the amount withheld to finance measures to promote the use of flax fibre for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0170/96 – 96/0064(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0064(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0170/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 22.

13. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the aid in respect of silkworms for the 1996/97 rearing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0171/96 – 96/0065(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 34)

Recital 1a (new)

Whereas incentives should be provided for the production of silk thread, a product in which there is a substantial shortfall in the European Union, by means of an increase in aid;

(Amendment 35)

Article 1

For the 1996/97 rearing year, the aid in respect of silkworms as referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 845/72 shall be fixed per box of silkworm eggs used at ECU 133,32.

For the 1996/97 rearing year, the aid in respect of silkworms as referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 845/72 shall be fixed per box of silkworm eggs used at ECU 140.

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 24.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the aid in respect of silkworms for the 1996/97 rearing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0171/96 – 96/0065(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0065(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 42 and 43 of the Treaty (C4-0171/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 24.

14. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products (COM(96)0044 – C4-0172/96 – 96/0066(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products (COM(96)0044 – C4-0172/96 -96/0066(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0066(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0172/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 25.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

15. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the target price for milk and the intervention prices for butter and skimmed-milk powder for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0173/96 – 96/0067(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the target price for milk and the intervention prices for butter and skimmed-milk powder for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0173/96 – 96/0067(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0067(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0173/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 27.

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16. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal (COM(96)0044 – C4-0174/96 – 96/0068(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 36)

Recital 3

Whereas, in accordance with Article 4b(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the special premium may be granted a second time after an animal has reached the age of 22 months; whereas this encourages certain producers to continue fattening uncastrated male bovine animals for the sole purpose of obtaining a second premium; whereas outlets for the heavy carcasses arising from this practice are somewhat limited and lead to an undesirable increase in the quantity of beef produced; whereas the special premium for uncastrated male bovine animals should be granted no more than once therefore in the life of those animals before they reach the age of 22 months; whereas, in addition to this measure, the amount of the single premium should be raised so as to prevent the producers in question suffering economic penalties;

Whereas it is appropriate to grant the special premium only once in respect of castrated or uncastrated male bovine animals, increasing the amount, so as to simplify procedures and prevent an increase in the quantity of meat placed on the market; whereas this price increase will enable producers to sell fattened animals with a lower slaughter weight; whereas this will improve the quality of the meat and reduce the amount of beef available; whereas the expenditure for the increased premium can be compensated in part by savings on export refund expenditure and intervention measures;

(Amendment 37)

Recital 3a (new)

Whereas support for agriculture in less-favoured and hill areas calls for measures which reflect the particular needs of these regions; whereas in order to safeguard land use it would therefore seem sensible in these regions for the fattening of young female and male bovine animals to be placed on an equal footing as regards the granting of premiums; whereas this new provision will not lead to an increase in production because of the regional ceilings which have been set;

(Amendment 76)

Recital 3b (new)

Whereas developments in the beef market affect in particular specialized breeders of beef cattle; whereas their income has fallen considerably; whereas maintaining this activity is an essential factor in the European Union's regional planning policy; whereas the Council, in its conclusions of 3 April 1996, agreed on the need to envisage additional support measures for suckler cows if the situation on the market so requires; whereas the support granted to this kind of production mainly consists of the premium for maintaining herds of suckler cows; whereas, therefore, it is appropriate to increase the amount of this premium;

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 29.

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TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSIONAMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 100)

Recital 3c (new)

Whereas the measures needed to combat BSE have led to a sharp fall in demand for beef and veal in all Member States of the EU; whereas in the short-term lump-sum compensation must be given for the high loss of earnings of the beef producers; whereas the Commission must submit to Parliament and the Council as quickly as possible proposals for a single premium for bulls, oxen, female animals for fattening, dairy cows and suckler cows; whereas the level of the premium must be set such that it covers the actual loss of earnings; whereas it must be ensured that these payments are made during the 1996 financial year;

(Amendment 103)

Recital 4a (new)

Whereas the trend in the market for beef and veal has been sharply downwards following the BSE crisis; whereas producers' incomes in this sector have fallen markedly; whereas in its conclusions of 3 April 1996 the Council recognized the need to make provision for additional support measures; whereas the Commission must establish adequate management measures to support the sector as soon as possible;

(Amendment 62)

Recital 4b (new)

Whereas the special premium must not be used to support the breeding of bovine animals for bull-rings or fiestas anywhere in the European Union;

(Amendment 38)

Recital 6a (new)

Whereas the beef market is a sensitive sector; whereas BSE has made consumers extremely distrustful, and 46 countries have taken restrictive measures against British beef; whereas the European beef market is going through an unprecedented crisis which must be combated;

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TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSIONAMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 39)

ARTICLE 1(1a) (new)

Article 4b(1) (Regulation No 805/68)

1a. The following is added to Article 4b(1):

'In the less-favoured and hill areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC ⁽¹⁾ this special premium may also be granted for young female bovine animals intended for fattening.'

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 128, 19.5.1975, p. 1.

(Amendment 40)

ARTICLE 1(2)

Article 4b(2), first subparagraph (Regulation No 805/68)

2. The premium shall be granted *no more than*:
- (a) *once in the life of each uncastrated male bovine animal aged from 10 to 21 months, or*
- (b) *twice in the life of each castrated male bovine animal:*
- *the first time at the age of 10 months*
 - *the second time after the age of 22 months.*

2. The premium shall be granted **once in the life of each castrated or uncastrated male bovine animal at the age of 10 and once at the same age in the life of a young female bovine animal intended for fattening provided that the fattening takes place in less-favoured and hill areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC.**

(Amendment 41)

ARTICLE 1(3)

Article 4b(6), first sentence (Regulation No 805/68)

The amount of the premium per eligible animal shall be:

- ECU 108,7 per castrated male bovine animal;
- ECU 123,9 per uncastrated male bovine animal.

The amount of the premium per eligible animal shall be **ECU 139,1 per castrated or uncastrated male bovine animal and per young female bovine animal, pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2.**

(Amendment 42)

ARTICLE 1(6a) (new)

Article 4d(7) (Regulation No 805/68)

6a. In Article 4d(7) the fourth indent is replaced by the following:

- **ECU 174,9 for the calendar year 1996;**
- **at least ECU 174,9 from the calendar year 1997.**

(Amendment 43)

ARTICLE 1(7)

Article 4k(1) (Regulation No 805/68)

1. From 1 January 1997 all the provisions concerning the premium arrangements applicable in the rest of the Community shall apply to that territory subject to the provisions of this Article.

1. From 1 January **1999** all the provisions concerning the premium arrangements applicable in the rest of the Community shall apply to that territory subject to the provisions of this Article.

(The years given in paragraph 2 shall be altered accordingly by two years)

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TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSIONAMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 44)

ARTICLE 1(7)

Article 4k(3a) (new) (Regulation No 805/68)

3a. Following the introduction of individual ceilings for the suckler cow premium, the number of bull premiums granted previously per holding shall, over a three-year transitional period, be reduced gradually to 90 bulls reared per holding.

(Amendment 45)

ARTICLE 1a (new)

Article 1a

A budget allocation of ECU 30 million per year over three years shall be devoted to promoting duly identified beef of specified origin among consumers and countries which traditionally import European beef.

(Amendment 80)

ARTICLE 2a (new)

Article 2a

In view of the current extremely difficult situation in the beef and veal market, the Commission shall propose to the Council significant compensatory short-term measures to support the income of producers of beef and veal.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal (COM(96)0044 – C4-0174/96 – 96/0068(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0068(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0174/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 29.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

17. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996/97 marketing year, the intervention price for adult bovine animals (COM(96)0044 – C4-0175/96 – 96/0906(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996/97 marketing year, the intervention price for adult bovine animals (COM(96)0044 – C4-0175/96 – 96/0906(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0906(CNS) (1),
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0175/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

(1) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 32.

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18. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat (COM(96)0044 – C4-0176/96 – 96/0069(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 46)

ARTICLE 1(-1) (new)

Article 5(8) (Regulation No 3013/89)

-1. In Article 5(8), first indent, '70%' is replaced by '80%'.

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 33.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat (COM(96)0044 – C4-0176/96 – 96/0069(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0069(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0176/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 33.

19. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic price and the seasonal adjustments to the basic price for sheepmeat for the 1997 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0177/96 – 96/0070(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic price and the seasonal adjustments to the basic price for sheepmeat for the 1997 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0177/96 – 96/0070(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0070(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council (C4-0177/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 35.

20. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic price and defining the standard quality for pig carcasses for the period 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0178/96 – 96/0071(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic price and defining the standard quality for pig carcasses for the period 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (COM(96)0044 – C4-0178/96 – 96/0071(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0071(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0178/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 37.

Thursday, 23 May 1996

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.
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21. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic prices and buying-in prices applicable in the fruit and vegetables sector for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0179/96 – 96/0072(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the basic prices and buying-in prices applicable in the fruit and vegetables sector for the 1996/97 marketing year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0179/96 – 96/0072(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0072(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0179/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 38.

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22. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 on the common organization of the market in wine (COM(96)0044 – C4-0180/96 – 96/0073(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 47)

Recital 1a (new)

Whereas replanting rights must be allowed to contribute to the renewal of wine-growing potential;

(Amendment 48)

ARTICLE 1(1)

Article 6(1) (Regulation No 822/87)

1. *In Article 6(1), '31 August 1996' is replaced by '31 August 1997'.*

1. **Article 6(1) is replaced by the following:**

'1. All new planting of vines is prohibited until 31 August 1997. However, new planting may be authorized by the Commission at the suggestion of Member States, only on category 1 land or land intended for the production of quality wines p.s.r. and in the context of regional restructuring and development programmes which take into account the control of production, the need to use land and specific environmental requirements to be determined.

In particular, new planting is authorized in the quality wines p.s.r. production areas, where new vineyards may be planted by farms which already produce wine up to a maximum of 30% of the areas set aside for vines as of 31 August 1995. The new authorized areas may not benefit from the premiums laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88 (1).'

(*) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 45.

(1) OJ L 132, 28.5.1988, p. 3.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 on the common organization of the market in wine (COM(96)0044 – C4-0180/96 – 96/0073(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0073(CNS) (1),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0180/96),

(1) OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 45.

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- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

23. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the guide prices for wine for the 1996/97 wine year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0181/96 – 96/0074(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the guide prices for wine for the 1996/97 wine year (COM(96)0044 – C4-0181/96 – 96/0074(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0074(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council (C4-0181/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 47.

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24. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2332/92 as regards sparkling wines produced in the Community and Regulation (EEC) No 4252/88 on the preparation and marketing of liqueur wines produced in the Community (COM(96)0044 – C4-0182/96 – 96/0075(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2332/92 as regards sparkling wines produced in the Community and Regulation (EEC) No 4252/88 on the preparation and marketing of liqueur wines produced in the Community (COM(96)0044 – C4-0182/96 – 96/0075(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0075(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0182/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 48.

25. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88 on the granting, for the 1988/89 to 1995/96 wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums in respect of wine-growing areas (COM(96)0044 – C4-0183/96 – 96/0076(CNS))

The proposal ⁽¹⁾ was rejected ⁽²⁾.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 49.

⁽²⁾ The matter was referred back to committee, pursuant to Rule 59(3).

26. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2392/86 establishing a Community vineyard register (COM(96)0044 – C4-0184/96 – 96/0907(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2392/86 establishing a Community vineyard register (COM(96)0044 – C4-0184/96 – 96/0907(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0907(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council (C4-0184/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 50.

27. Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996 harvest, the premiums for leaf tobacco by group of tobacco varieties (COM(96)0044 – C4-0185/96 – 96/0077(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation fixing, for the 1996 harvest, the premiums for leaf tobacco by group of tobacco varieties (COM(96)0044 – C4-0185/96 – 96/0077(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(96)0044 – 96/0077(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council (C4-0185/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0117/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 125, 27.4.1996, p. 51.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

2. Health and safety at work *

A4-0099/96

Proposal for a Council Decision adopting a programme of non-legislative measures to improve health and safety at work (COM(95)0282 – C4-0386/95 – 95/0155(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 1)	
<i>Title</i>	
Proposal for a Council Decision adopting a programme of <i>non-legislative measures</i> to improve health and safety at work	Proposal for a Council Decision adopting a Community programme to improve safety, hygiene and health at work
(Amendment 2)	
<i>Recital 3a (new)</i>	
Whereas it is important to create a stimulating and psychologically sound working environment in which human resources are used to best advantage, thus giving the undertaking increased flexibility and greater job satisfaction;	
(Amendment 3)	
<i>Recital 5a (new)</i>	
Whereas in order to help raise that awareness the European Parliament, in its resolution of 6 May 1994 on the General Framework for action by the Commission in the field of safety, hygiene and health protection at work (1994 to 2000) ⁽¹⁾, proposed the creation of a programme to be called Safety Action for Europe (SAFE);	

(*) OJ C 262, 7.10.1995, p. 18.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 205, 25.7.1994, p. 478.

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(Amendment 4)

Recital 10

Whereas there exist other Community programmes and initiatives fully or partly relevant as regards health and safety at work and therefore there is a need to ensure consistency between various Community actions;

Whereas there exist other Community programmes and initiatives fully or partly relevant as regards health and safety at work and therefore there is a need to ensure consistency **and budgetary complementarity** between various Community actions;

(Amendment 5)

Article 1

A Community programme of *non-legislative measures* to improve health and safety *at work* is adopted for a five-year period, from 1 January 1996 to 31 December 2000.

A Community programme (**SAFE — Safety Action for Europe**) to improve safety and health **and prevent or reduce occupational risks, particularly in small and medium-sized enterprises**, is adopted for a five-year period, from 1 January 1996 to 31 December 2000.

The programme shall consist of:

- *guidance notes and core information material to help apply correctly the Community legislation; improving information, education and training; investigating key problem areas as referred to in Annex I,*
- *the SAFE (Safety Action for Europe) programme referred to in Annex II aimed at improving safety, hygiene and health at work, in particular in small and medium-sized enterprises.*

(Amendment 6)

*Article 1a (new)***Article 1a**

The programme shall have the general objective of supporting at European level actions designed to improve the work environment, work organization and working practices by

- **promoting the development of practical solutions to workplace risks,**
- **providing support for the identification and dissemination of best practices for combating occupational accidents and diseases,**
- **suggesting means of effectively applying legislation on health and safety at work in enterprises,**
- **promoting innovative approaches to emerging areas of occupational risk,**
- **promoting education and training aimed at improving knowledge of Community legislation and awareness as regards the working environment.**

(Amendment 7)

Article 2

The Commission shall ensure implementation of the action set out in *Annexes I and II* in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 in

The Commission shall ensure implementation of the action set out in **Annex II** in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 in close

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close cooperation with the Member States and the institutions and organizations active in safety, hygiene and health at work.

cooperation with the Member States and the institutions and organizations active in safety, hygiene and health at work.

(Amendment 8)

Article 3

The Commission shall ensure that there is consistency and complementarity between the Community action to be implemented under this programme and the other relevant Community programmes and initiatives.

The Commission shall ensure that there is consistency and complementarity between the Community action to be implemented under this programme, other relevant Community programmes and initiatives **as well as the work carried out by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions and the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work in a strict framework of budgetary transparency.**

(Amendment 9)

Article 4

1. The action referred to in Annex I shall be carried out by *the Community*, the Member States, management and labour and public or private organizations. Applications for the financing of the action shall be submitted to the Commission.

1. The action referred to in Annex II shall be carried out by the Member States, management and labour and public or private organizations.

2. *The action referred to in the Annex II shall be carried out by the Member States, management and labour and public or private organizations. Applications for the financing of the action shall be submitted to the Commission.*

2. Applications for the financing of the action shall be submitted **either** to the Commission **by the competent bodies designated by the Member States or directly to the Commission. Copies of all applications shall be sent to the Commission and to the competent body of the Member State concerned.**

2a. In the case of multilateral projects the participants mentioned in paragraph 1 shall decide which competent body shall submit the application to the Commission. However, where the application is submitted directly to the Commission, copies shall be forwarded to each competent body of the Member States concerned.

(Amendment 10)

Article 5

The selection of the projects to be financed and the determination of the financial assistance to be granted in conformity with the objectives and criteria set out in Annexes I, II and III, shall follow the procedure provided for in Article 6(2).

The selection of the projects to be financed and the determination of the financial assistance to be granted in conformity with the objectives and criteria set out in Annexes II and III shall follow the procedure provided for in Article 6.

The Community financial contribution shall be:

- in general a maximum rate of up to 60%,
- up to 90% for SMEs of less than 50 employees.

A balanced geographical coverage should be taken into account in the projects financed under this programme.

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(Amendment 11)

Article 6, first paragraph

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.

Without prejudice to the role of the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.

(Amendment 12)

Article 6, fourth paragraph a (new)

Meetings of the committee shall in principle be open to the public unless subject to an explicit, duly reasoned decision to the contrary, published in good time. The committee shall publish its agendas two weeks before the meetings. It shall publish the minutes of its meetings. It shall draw up a public register of its members' declarations of interests.

(Amendment 13)

*Article 6a (new)***Article 6a**

The Commission may consult the committee referred to in Article 6 on any question concerning the application of this Decision.

Whenever such consultation takes place, two representatives of employers' organizations and two representatives of workers' organizations, appointed by the Commission on the basis of proposals from the groups of members representing employers' organizations and trade unions on the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work, shall participate in the work of the committee as observers.

They shall have the right to request that their position be recorded in the minutes of committee meetings.

(Amendment 14)

Article 8(1), second subparagraph (new)

The Commission shall set up, where appropriate with the assistance of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, an information point for small and medium-sized enterprises and other applicant organizations to offer practical advice in formulating and developing project proposals. The information point shall provide details of local and national contacts involved in the health and safety area. It shall also offer a helpline and full on-line service.

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(Amendment 15)

Article 8(1a) (new)

1a. The Commission shall develop standard criteria concerning the dissemination of the results of the actions undertaken by this programme. These criteria shall include guidelines for:

- promoting the results of the projects to the press, employers, employees and interested parties,
- involving elected representatives in the promotion of the results.

The European Agency for Safety and Health at Work may be consulted in the development of these criteria.

(Amendment 16)

Article 8(2)

2. The Commission shall submit to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee a mid-term report on the action undertaken, as well as an overall report by 31 December 2001.

2. The results of the programme shall be evaluated objectively by the Commission with the assistance of external organizations including, where appropriate, the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work. On the basis of these findings the Commission shall submit to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work, not later than 30 June 1998, a mid-term report on the action undertaken, including a detailed study on the responsibilities and the activities undertaken on this matter by the specialised agencies concerned, as well as, not later than 30 June 2001, an overall assessment report demonstrating the impact of the programme on the structures and population groups targeted by the action.

(Amendment 17)

*Annex I**Annex I***Deleted**

(Amendment 18)

Annex II

SAFE (Safety Action For Europe) aimed at improving safety, hygiene and health at work, in particular in small and medium-sized enterprises.

(1996-2000)

1.1. SAFE (Safety Action For Europe) will support projects of a practical nature intended to demonstrate:

Actions to improve standards of safety and health at work, in particular in small and medium-sized enterprises

(1996-2000)

The programme is to support practical projects designed to improve the working environment as regards the safety and health of workers, in line with the general objectives set out in Article 1a. In particular, it will support projects relating to one or more of the following points:

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- *the promotion of improvements in the work situation specifically directed at safety, hygiene and health at work, especially in small and medium-sized enterprises;*
- *the improvements in the organization of work practice which influence attitudes towards health and safety at work, in order to reduce work accidents and occupational diseases.*

1.2. One of the objectives of the SAFE programme is therefore to support practices designed to improve the work situation, work organization and work practices which may be directed towards a specific problem impacting on health and safety at the workplace or by demonstrating best practices to combat work accidents and/or occupational diseases or at the ways and means of effectively complying with Community legislation in individual enterprises or undertakings.

1.3. This is why the SAFE programme will also support the development of reference workplaces which have developed practical solutions to workplace risks and which will serve as models for others who would like to change existing workplaces or design new ones. It will also promote innovative approaches to emerging areas of risk or to high risk activities, whether this is by promoting the use of safe and/or clean technologies, or by other innovative measures.

1.4. Support will also be provided for specific education and training initiatives designed to improve knowledge of Community legislation and improve awareness of the working environment.

1.5. The SAFE programme will also consider projects prepared by European organizations, individual enterprises, employers or workers. Such projects should provide guidance for decisions concerning measures to be put into practice throughout entire sectors of activity especially in more than one Member State.

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- 1. Development of reference workplaces which have developed practical solutions to workplace risks and which can serve as models;**
- 2. Initiatives in the field of information, training and education designed to improve knowledge of health and safety legislation and improve awareness of safety and health at work;**
- 3. Projects which provide guidance on safety and health measures relevant to one or more sectors of activity, especially in more than one Member State;**
- 4. Innovative approaches to emerging areas of risk or to high-risk activities including the use of safe and/or clean technologies.**

(Amendment 19)

Annex III(I)

I. General criteria

In order to be eligible for *selection*, the projects submitted must meet all the following criteria:

- have a good cost-effectiveness ratio;
- generate a European *plus* value *e.g. through a lasting multiplier effect on European scale;*
- *demonstrate an effective and balanced degree of cooperation between the various partners at the levels of:*
 - *project design;*
 - *project implementation;*
 - *financial participation.*

I. General criteria

In order to be eligible for **Community assistance**, the projects submitted must meet all the following criteria:

- 1. generate a European **added** value;**
- 2. be relevant to the needs of SMEs;**
- 3. have a good cost-effectiveness ratio;**
- 4. specify expected outcomes and how they will be measured;**
- 5. aim at outcomes that can be transferred;**
- 6. specify a means of disseminating those outcomes;**

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7. **avoid duplicating projects carried out at national level;**

8. **demonstrate resources commitment from partners involved in the project;**

9. **demonstrate the necessity of Community funding.**

(Amendment 28)

*Annex III(II)*II. *Evaluation* criteria

Priority will be given to *projects satisfying, as far as possible, the following criteria. They should:*

- contribute to the prevention of *causes of accidents and occupational diseases* rather than remedying their effects;
- *facilitate the lasting integration of health and safety at work in the enterprises management or in the quality management of products;*
- *promote the transfer and exploitation of innovative experiments on an European scale;*
- promote social dialogue;
- *promote permanent efforts rather than quantified results;*
- encourage innovation *and entrepreneurial activity*, in particular in high risk activities;
- support the development of practical solutions to work-place risks;
- support cooperation between firms;
- *support improved information exchange, education and training;*
- contribute also to the implementation of action programmes or Community policies concerning:
 - lifelong learning;
 - equal opportunities;
 - integration of the disabled;
 - bringing back to employment the long-term unemployed;
 - prevention of accidents to the public (domestic, sport, road, etc.);
 - sectoral policies (to be specified);
 - other programmes or policies (to be specified).

II. **Other** criteria

Priority will be given to **actions which meet one or more of the following criteria: They must:**

1. contribute to the prevention of accidents and **health risks** (rather than remedying their effects) **and promote mental health protection;**
2. encourage innovation in particular in high risk activities;
3. **have an innovative character;**
4. support the development of practical solutions to work-place risks;
5. **aim to address proven risks which either already affect or have the potential to affect workers and offer substantial reductions in those risks;**
6. **demonstrate likely effectiveness beyond the life of the project, e.g. by integrating health and safety into management practices;**
7. promote social dialogue and cooperation between firms;
8. contribute also to the implementation of action programmes or Community policies concerning:
 - lifelong learning;
 - equal opportunities;
 - integration of the disabled;
 - bringing back to employment the long-term unemployed;
 - prevention of accidents to the public (domestic, sport, road, etc.);
 - sectoral policies (to be specified);
 - other programmes or policies (to be specified).

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(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0282 – 95/0155(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EC Treaty (C4-0386/95),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0099/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 262, 7.10.1995, p. 18.

3. Commission activities in employment *

A4-0127/96

Proposal for a Council Decision on the Commission's activities of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment (Essen) (COM(95)0250 – C4-0385/95 – 95/0149(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 1)	
<i>Title</i>	
Proposal for a Council decision on the Commission's activities of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment (<i>Essen</i>)	Proposal for a Council decision on the Commission's activities of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment
(Amendment 2)	
<i>Recital 12</i>	
Whereas, in accordance with the interinstitutional agreement on budgetary discipline, <i>it is necessary for</i> actions taken on the initiative of the Commission to have a legal basis;	Whereas, in accordance with the Joint Declaration of 30 June 1982 ⁽¹⁾ , the Interinstitutional Agreement on budgetary discipline of 29 October 1993 ⁽²⁾ and the Joint Declaration by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission

(*) OJ C 235, 9.9.1995, p. 8.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 194, 28.7.1982, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 331, 7.12.1993, p. 1.

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of 6 March 1995 on financial provisions in legislative acts ⁽¹⁾, actions taken on the initiative of the Commission need to have a legal basis according to criteria to be negotiated between the three institutions pursuant to the European Parliament resolution of 12 December 1995 on the Commission's communication to the budgetary authority concerning legal bases and maximum amounts ⁽²⁾;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 293, 8.11.1995, p. 4.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, p. 27.

(Amendment 3)

Recital 13

Whereas, for the measures concerned, the Treaty does not provide for any powers other than those referred to in Article 235,

Deleted

(Amendment 4)

Article 2, first paragraph

This action aims to establish a new approach for analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment, thereby creating a platform for the exchange of information and experience relating to employment. This new approach will contribute to the development of measures taken in the Member States which are in keeping with the focus of the Commission's White Paper on Growth, Competitiveness and Employment and with the decisions taken at the Essen European Council.

This action aims to establish a new approach for analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment, thereby creating a platform for the exchange of information and experience relating to employment **measures taken in the Member States**. This new approach will **focus on the suggestions made in** the Commission's White Paper on Growth, Competitiveness and Employment and **on measures which take account of the employment strategies developed by the European Union**.

(Amendment 5)

Article 3, introduction

In order to achieve the objectives referred to in Article 2, the Commission may promote a cooperation with the players concerned and/or provide financial support for the following measures:

In order to achieve the objectives referred to in Article 2, the Commission may promote a cooperation with the players concerned and/or provide financial support, **after having formally consulted the budgetary authority**, for the following measures:

(Amendment 6)

Article 3(b)

(b) the provision of methodological and technical support for projects to identify and transfer best practices in areas such as work organisation, regional and local measures for creating jobs which meet new needs, and measures to assist certain groups of people particularly hard hit by unemployment;

(b) the provision of methodological and technical support for projects **which aim at identifying and transferring** best practices in areas such as work organisation and regional and local measures for creating jobs which meet new needs; **particular emphasis shall be given to projects for the identification, transfer and dissemination of measures which directly or indirectly** assist groups of people hard hit by unemployment, notably young job seekers, the long-term unemployed, unemployed women and older unemployed workers;

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(Amendment 7)

Article 4

The Commission shall guarantee the consistency of and synergy between the measures taken under this Decision *and those taken under all policies of the Union. The Commission and the Member States shall seek to ensure that their actions of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment and those taken under the Structural Funds, the research and development framework programme, the fourth framework programme on equal opportunities for women and men, and those taken in the field of vocational training, in particular under Leonardo, complement each other.*

The Commission shall guarantee the **coordination with**, consistency of and synergy between the measures taken under this Decision **and** the Structural Funds, the research and development framework programmes, the fourth framework programme on equal opportunities for women and men, and **the Leonardo da Vinci programme. The Commission shall also aim to achieve a spill-over effect of the results of this programme into all policies of the Union.**

(Amendment 8)

Article 5

Certain activities shall be open to the participation of the countries of the European Economic Area, the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, Cyprus and Malta, and to the European Union's partner countries in the Mediterranean, in accordance with arrangements to be defined in the context of the relations of the Union with these countries.

Certain activities shall be open to the participation of the countries of the European Economic Area, the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, Cyprus and Malta, and to the European Union's partner countries in the Mediterranean, in accordance with arrangements to be defined in the context of the relations of the Union with these countries **and within the terms of the 1993 Interinstitutional Agreement.**

The cost of the participation shall be covered by the countries concerned. If necessary the budgetary authority may decide, pursuant to the rules applicable to the general budget of the European Communities, to pay a supplement to these countries' contribution.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Decision on the Commission's activities of analysis, research, cooperation and action in the field of employment (Essen) (COM(95)0250 – C4-0385/95 – 95/0149(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0250 – 95/0149(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EC Treaty (C4-0385/95),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy and the Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights (A4-0127/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;
 3. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 235, 9.9.1995, p. 8.

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4. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
5. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

10. 4. SAB 1/96 – 1997 estimates

(a) A4-0164/96

Resolution on Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure and the Ombudsman's estimates of revenue and expenditure with a view to a supplementary and amending budget for the financial year 1996

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Financial Regulation and in particular Article 15 thereof,
 - having regard to its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to its resolution of 28 March 1996 on the guidelines for the 1997 budgetary procedure ⁽¹⁾ and in particular paragraph 20 thereof,
 - having regard to its resolution of 23 May 1996 on the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the European Parliament and the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the Ombudsman for the 1997 financial year ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to the Secretary-General's report,
 - having regard to the preliminary draft estimates established by the Bureau on 8 May 1996 pursuant to Rules 22(5) and (6) and 165(1) of the Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (A4-0164/96),
- A. whereas the Ombudsman has forwarded estimates for a supplementary and amending budget for 1996,
 - B. whereas there is a margin of ECU 62,378 million available under heading 5 (Administrative expenditure) of the financial perspective for the financial year 1996,
 - C. noting the favourable trend in the ECU/BF conversion rate over the past 12 months,
 - D. whereas, in accordance with the provisions of the Financial Regulation, these estimates have been forwarded before submission of the preliminary draft budget for the financial year 1997,

Parliament

1. Points out that these estimates for a supplementary and amending budget for 1996 must not entail any retrospective budgetization of expenditure which was not authorized within the framework of adoption of the 1996 budget;
2. Notes that the commencement of this procedure for a supplementary and amending budget must meet the expenditure involved in the D3 building in Brussels and the IPE IV building in Strasbourg;
3. Adopts the estimates for a supplementary and amending budget of Parliament for the 1996 financial year ⁽³⁾ totalling ECU 30 929 000;

⁽¹⁾ Minutes of that Sitting, Part II, Item 9(a)

⁽²⁾ See Part II, Item 4(b) of these Minutes.

⁽³⁾ For complete text see preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget No 1 for the financial year 1996.

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4. Points out that the financial implications, whose effects will not be confined to a single financial year, cover the fitting-out of premises, data processing and telecommunications, movable property and associated costs, miscellaneous operating expenditure, audiovisual, restaurants and canteens;

5. Fixes accordingly the appropriations in the budget headings concerned as follows:

— 1840	Current operating expenditure for restaurants and canteens	
	— purchase of essential equipment	440 000 ecus
— 204	Fitting-out of premises	
	— Brussels	5 100 000 ecus
	— Strasbourg	3 100 000 ecus
— 2110	Telecommunications equipment:	
	— transmission networks	4 862 000 ecus
	— telephone switchboards, telephones and similar equipment	4 800 000 ecus
	— fax machines	425 000 ecus
— 2210	New purchases of furniture	5 800 000 ecus
— 2220	New purchases of technical equipment and installations:	
	— conferences	120 000 ecus
	— equipment	185 000 ecus
	— security	870 000 ecus
— 2353	Departmental removals and associated maintenance	100 000 ecus
— 282	Audiovisual:	
	— initial purchases of equipment and installations, including ancillary costs relating to such purchases, e.g. studies, engineers' fees, outside assistance	5 127 000 ecus

6. Points out that the appropriation entered in Item 2040 'fitting out of premises/Brussels' does not cover the fitting out of the business areas of D3 building, the cost of which will be borne by the firms which occupy them after their plans have been approved by Parliament;

7. Instructs its Secretary-General to keep its committee responsible informed of developments in the commitment of expenditure from the appropriations in the headings concerned and to report to it in any event within the framework of the first reading of the draft budget for 1997;

8. Notes in this context that it is necessary, when submitting a supplementary and amending budget and therefore ahead of the estimates procedure, for the latter to be accompanied by information on the implementation of the budget for the preceding and current financial years in accordance with the provisions of the Financial Regulation;

9. Recalls the request made in paragraph 6 of its resolution of 15 March 1996 on the closure of Parliament's accounts for the 1995 financial year (administrative expenditure) ⁽¹⁾ with regard to the management of certain budget headings;

Ombudsman

10. Notes that the Ombudsman's estimates provide for the creation of 3 temporary posts, 1 A7, 1 B5 and 1 C5;

11. Considers, with regard to the creation of new posts, that it would be desirable to comply with the declaration annexed to Article 11 of its decision of 9 March 1994 on the regulations and general conditions governing the performance of the Ombudsman's duties ⁽²⁾ and instructs its President to open negotiations with the Council and Commission;

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12. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the institutions concerned and the Ombudsman.

⁽¹⁾ Minutes of that sitting, Part II, Item 2.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 113, 4.5.1994, p. 15.

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(b) A4-0162/96

Resolution on the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the European Parliament and the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the Ombudsman for the 1997 financial year

The European Parliament

- having regard to its resolution of 28 March 1996 on the guidelines for the 1997 budgetary procedure ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to its resolution of 18 April 1996 on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision on the adjustment of the financial perspective to take account of the conditions of implementation (submitted by the Commission pursuant to paragraph 10 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 29 October 1993 ⁽²⁾,
- having regard to the Secretary-General's report,
- having regard to the preliminary draft estimates established by the Bureau on 16 April 1996 pursuant to Rules 22(5) and (6) and 165(1) of the Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the conclusions of the Edinburgh European Council of 12 December 1992 and in particular the 'decision taken by common agreement between the representatives of the governments of the Member States on the location of the seats of the institutions and of certain bodies and departments of the European Communities',
- having regard to the provisions of the Financial Regulation and in particular Articles 12, 13 and 55 thereof and the declaration on the presentation of an analytical budget,
- having regard to the decision of the European Parliament of 9 March 1994 on the Regulations and general conditions governing the performance of the Ombudsman's duties and in particular Article 11 thereof ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (A4-0162/96),

I. GENERAL FRAMEWORK

1. Recalls that the 1997 budgetary procedure is subject to the financial framework established by the 1993/99 financial perspective in force;
2. Points out in this connection that:
 - (a) the rate of increase in heading 5 of the financial perspective 'Administrative expenditure' is 3,8%;
 - (b) the appropriations must be used in accordance with the principles of sound financial management, in particular cost-saving and cost-effectiveness;
 - (c) the allocation of the volume of expenditure in heading 5 'Administrative expenditure' must, as a matter of priority, finance 'expenditure the renewal of which is subject to rules in the Staff Regulations or to compliance with current contractual obligations' ⁽⁴⁾;
 - (d) the BF/ECU conversion rate used to calculate the appropriations requested is 38,6974 and the FF/ECU conversion rate is 6,4458;
 - (e) salary adjustments and the average rate of inflation have been estimated at 2,4% and 2% respectively for the 1997 financial year;
3. Notes that the 1997 financial year will be marked by a considerable increase in property expenditure because of the handing over of the D3 building in Brussels and the IPE IV building in Strasbourg;
4. Recalls the recommendation of the political group chairmen of 14 November 1988 that Parliament's budget should be established at a level equivalent to 20% of the expenditure provided for in heading 5 of the financial perspective;
5. Points out that in the conclusions of the Trialogue of 16 April 1996, the three institutions (Parliament, Council and Commission) confirmed the guideline that no new posts should be created in the budget;

⁽¹⁾ Minutes of that Sitting, Part II, Item 9(a).

⁽²⁾ Minutes of that Sitting, Part II, Item 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 113, 4.5.1994, p. 15.

⁽⁴⁾ See paragraph 2 of its abovementioned resolution of 28 March 1996 on the guidelines for the 1997 budgetary procedure.

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6. Notes that these estimates are accompanied by an analytical budget and a report on staffing policy, in accordance with the financial provisions and the budgetary authority's conclusions concerning interinstitutional cooperation ⁽¹⁾;

7. Notes, however, that this analytical budget will have to be supplemented by a section dealing with all expenditure relating to the Ombudsman;

8. Confirms the spirit of close cooperation in which these estimates have been adopted, the importance of such cooperation having been highlighted at the seminar of 21 November 1995 convened by its President;

Parliament

9. Adopts Parliament's estimates for the 1997 financial year ⁽²⁾ totalling ECU 884 387 095 in expenditure and ECU 54 062 283 in own resources, which correspond to an allocation of 20% of the volume of expenditure allowed for in heading 5 'Administrative expenditure'; estimates the volume for reuse at ECU 2 017 500;

II. ESTABLISHMENT PLAN

10. Draws attention to the following aspects of the Secretary-General's report:

- (a) presentation of a list of posts in the budget by administrative unit, which provides greater budgetary transparency;
- (b) figures for the rate of recruitment of officials who are nationals of the new Member States (of the 305 posts created, 186 posts or 61% have been filled, 109 by officials, 64 by temporary staff and 13 by auxiliary staff);
- (c) information on implementation of the termination-of-service Regulation for officials in the Secretariat and temporary staff in the political group secretariats;
- (d) the structural reforms and new working methods introduced to meet new needs in the areas of legislative activity, external relations, the functional regrouping of committee secretariats, information, relations with the national parliaments of the Member States and the legal field;
- (e) departmental reorganization, redeployments and posts abolished; between 1995 and 1997 18 posts will have been abolished, including 13 under Article 41 of the Staff Regulations;
- (f) progress in career planning in the political group secretariats, in response to the request made during consideration of the draft budget for the 1996 financial year ⁽³⁾ and the importance of continuing this process;
- (g) developments in the area of interinstitutional cooperation and, in particular, interinstitutional competitions;

11. Maintains the establishment plan at its current staffing level, except for the creation of 10 permanent posts in the Secretariat (2 A7, 2 B5 and 6 C5) in the department for relations with the political groups, which is without financial implications;

12. Authorizes the appropriations for upgradings and the award of '*ad personam*' grades and other measures concerning the establishment plan as follows:

- (a) in the Secretariat: 8 A5 to A4, 3 A7 to A6, 10 B2 to B1, 3 B4 to B3, 58 C2 to C1, 12 C4 to C3 and 12 LA5 to LA4;
- (b) in the secretariat of the non-attached Members: 1 A6 to A5 and 1 C3 to C2;

⁽¹⁾ See conclusions concerning the rationalization of administrative expenditure in its resolution of 26 October 1995 on the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year 1996 (OJ C 308, 20.11.1995, p. 122).

⁽²⁾ For complete text see Volume 2 of the preliminary draft general budget for the financial year 1997, Section I — Parliament.

⁽³⁾ See paragraph 21 of its abovementioned resolution of 26 October 1995 on the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year 1996.

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- (c) the award of 9 *ad personam* grades: 2 A2 to A1, 1 A3 to A2, 1 B1 to A5, 4 C1 to B3 and 1 D1 to C3;
- (d) the regrading in the establishment plan of the former post of deputy Director-General of parliamentary committees in grade A2 following the Bureau's decision of 31 January 1996 to use this post for the appointment of a Director within the Directorate-General concerned;
- (e) the extension from 1996 to 1998 of the time limit on two temporary A7 posts filled by two architects;
- (f) the release of 7 LA7 posts to meet requirements in the area of the legal and linguistic checking of legislative texts;
- (g) in the political group secretariats, 1 A5 to A4, 1 B2 to B1, 1 B3 to B2, 1 B4 to B3, 3 C1 to B4, 2 C2 to C1 and 1 C4 to C3;

13. Reaffirms its support for further interinstitutional cooperation and points out in this context the crucial importance of new information technologies;

14. Recalls here its request for a report to be drawn up assessing over a period of five years 'the impact of professional training, indicating in particular the disciplines chosen, the number of hours given over to them, the cost and number of persons per discipline, the impact on the organization of work, and the rate of participation per official and by category of staff, plus teachers of language courses for Members' ⁽¹⁾ and therefore calls on the Secretary-General to submit his report before the first reading of the draft budget for 1997;

15. Points out that the movement of staff between categories, which is governed by the Staff Regulations, must be effected by means of the relevant procedures, in particular internal competitions of a general nature; emphasises that this approach does not call into question the career planning system as confirmed in recent financial years;

16. Stresses that budgetary means have to be complemented by non-budgetary means of creating confidence in EU institutions; as a first step, the European Parliament introduces the full accountability of its Members for secretarial and general expenditure allowances; recalls in this context its call in its resolution of 17 May 1995 on the functioning of the Treaty on European Union with a view to the 1996 Intergovernmental Conference – Implementation and development of the Union ⁽²⁾ to establish a Statute for its Members;

17. Enters under item 1301 the following appropriations:

– part-sessions	10 960 000
– committee meetings in the three places of work	1 190 000
– meetings of committees or their delegations away from the three places of work	285 000
– delegations for relations with the parliaments of third countries	550 000
– ACP meetings	665 000
– political group meetings in the three places of work	330 000
– political group meetings away from the three places of work	1 050 000
– other missions in the three places of work	2 000 000
– other missions away from the three places of work	1 000 000
– professional training	365 000
– joint parliamentary committee delegations	420 000
– ad hoc missions away from the three places of work	60 000
Total	<u>18 875 000</u>

18. Calls, with regard to the interpretation service, with reference to the 1995 financial year, for a report analysing the organization of work and specifying, in particular, the rate of coverage of the various meetings (part-sessions, political groups, parliamentary committees, etc) by Staff Regulations staff (officials and temporary members of staff) on the basis of the number of posts authorized in the establishment plan for that financial year; enters an appropriation of ECU 4,5 million in Chapter 100 to be allocated to Item 1870;

⁽¹⁾ See paragraph 11 of its abovementioned resolution of 28 March 1996 on the guidelines for the 1997 budgetary procedure.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 151, 19.6.1995, p. 56.

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III. MOVEMENTS IN APPROPRIATIONS

19. Points out that the scheduled handing over of the D3 building in Brussels in April 1997 and the IPE IV building in Strasbourg in October 1997 will result in a substantial increase in appropriations for Article 200 (Rent) based on an estimated investment cost of ECU 831,5 million for the D3 building, land included, and a provisional investment cost of ECU 410 million for the IPE IV building;

20. Points out that the financial implications will not be confined to a single financial year and will therefore:

- (a) require austerity measures applying to the whole budget;
- (b) presuppose optimum allocation of the resources available under heading 5 'administrative expenditure';
- (c) necessitate further planning and interinstitutional cooperation with regard to the occupancy and relinquishment of buildings, bearing in mind the scale of the operation and the involvement of several institutions; consequently instructs its Secretary-General to submit a report on this matter before the first reading of the draft budget;

21. Sets the appropriations for Article 200 (Rent) at ECU 137 040 023 for all Parliament's stock of buildings (excluding external offices), an increase of 120,21% over 1996;

22. Points out in this context that this appropriation provides for calculation of the rent on the basis of:

- (a) funding the new D3 and IPE IV buildings over a 10-year period;
- (b) the Belgian authorities' honouring their commitment to provide the land for the D3 building;
- (c) revision of the plan to relinquish the Van Maerlant building to the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions during 1997, and hence the allocation of appropriations for six months;

23. Points out that heading 5 'administrative expenditure' of the financial perspective for the financial year 1996 provides a margin of ECU 62,378 million and that the BF/ECU conversion rate has evolved favourably since June 1995;

24. Considers therefore that, at the present stage of implementation of the 1996 budget and in accordance with the financial provisions, this monetary situation should make it possible to:

- (a) start the procedure for a supplementary and amending budget for 1996 designed exclusively to fund expenditure relating to the new buildings, with financial statements establishing whether funding can also be provided for subsequent financial years, from 1998 onwards;
- (b) prevent this SAB from involving retrospective budgetization of expenditure which was not authorized when the 1996 budget was adopted;
- (c) explore, in a concern for transparency and rational management of procedures, the possibility of coordination with other SAB requests from the other institutions;

25. Enters in Chapter 100 an appropriation of ECU 9 million, including ECU 4,5 million to be allocated to Article 203 'Cleaning and maintenance' and ECU 4,5 million to be allocated to Article 205, 'Security'; stipulates that the release of these funds should be conditional on the actual handing over of the new D3 and IPE IV buildings and calls, at the same time, for a report on the operation of the security system;

26. Instructs its Secretary-General to submit a report, before Parliament's first reading of the budget, on how Parliament might finance, over a three-year period, the construction of an annex to the Jean Monnet House, which is already the property of the European Parliament; this annex, which would also be the property of the European Parliament, will be needed to cope with the increasing flow of visitors, especially young people, to this highly symbolic commemorative building;

Epicentre

27. Considers that it is essential to continue the in-depth study of the implementation of the project, both with regard to equipment and the transfer of staff; enters the sum of ECU 9 700 000 under

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Item 2210, 'New purchases of furniture' and enters the sum of ECU 300 000 in Chapter 100, 'Provisional appropriations', to be allocated to Item 2210; instructs its Secretary-General to submit, before the first reading of the draft budget, a report on the stage of implementation of the project and a multiannual forecast of the cost of the Epicentre in staff and appropriations;

28. Notes the Bureau's wishes concerning the appropriations for the translation and new presentation of the verbatim report of proceedings; nonetheless insists that in the interests of openness and equal treatment of the official and working languages of the European Union speeches other than those concerning procedural matters and the conduct of proceedings should continue to be translated and published in all these languages after 1996; instructs the Secretary-General to submit a report on the new presentation of the verbatim report of proceedings before the first reading of the 1997 budget;

Information policy

29. Considers that the extra ECU 1 million for the information campaign of the Institutions (Chapter 27) should be put in reserve (Chapter 100); asks the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to ensure that information campaigns are conducted on the basis of interinstitutional cooperation in accordance with the decisions taken during the 1996 budgetary procedure;

30. Enters under Item 3705 'Contribution to secretarial expenses of the political groups' an appropriation of ECU 12,5 million and under Item 3706 'Other political activities' an appropriation of ECU 7 million;

31. Recalls the request made in its resolution of 15 March 1996 on the closure of Parliament's accounts for the 1995 financial year ⁽¹⁾ with regard to the management of certain budget headings;

Parliamentary assistants

32. Notes its resolutions of April 1994 and October 1995; notes the discussions between the services of the Commission and Parliament on the status of parliamentary assistants; instructs its Secretary-General to submit, before the first reading, a report setting out the positions of the institutions and the steps taken to ensure that the Commission can submit the necessary proposal swiftly;

33. Enters a sum of ECU 2 500 000 in Chapter 101 'contingency reserve';

Ombudsman

34. Notes that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 12 of the Financial Regulation, the Ombudsman has forwarded to the European Parliament before 1 May 1996 estimates of his revenue and expenditure for the financial year 1997 together with a letter of amendment in accordance the provisions of Article 14 of the Financial Regulation establishing these overall estimates at ECU 2 820 819 in expenditure and ECU 260 321 in revenue;

35. Notes in this context the creation of six new posts, 1 A4, 1 A6, 1 B3, 1 C3, 1 C4 and 1 D2 and for entry in the budget of expenditure relating to buildings, equipment and miscellaneous expenditure;

36. Points out, in relation to the creation of new posts, that it would be desirable to consider creating new posts at the basic grade in each category and implementing the declaration annexed to Article 11 of Parliament's decision on the Ombudsman ⁽²⁾ and that account should be taken of the conclusions of the Trialogue of 16 April 1996 advocating that establishment plans should be maintained at the levels authorized for the 1996 financial year;

37. Notes with regard to the appropriations:

- (a) the high level of appropriations allocated to Articles 130 'Mission expenses, travel expenses and incidental expenditure', 112 'Further training', 117 'Supplementary services', 250 'Meetings in general', 260 'Limited consultations, studies and surveys', 270 'Expenditure on publishing and information', and the failure to take account of interinstitutional cooperation in the appropriations allocated to Article 210 'Data processing';

⁽¹⁾ Minutes of that Sitting, Part II, Item 2.

⁽²⁾ A joint statement by the three institutions will set out guiding principles for the number of staff employed by the Ombudsman, and the status as temporary or contract staff of those carrying out inquiries — OJ L 113, 4.5.1994, p. 15.

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(b) the creation of a contingency reserve equivalent to 2% of the total appropriations required in Chapter 100 'Provisional appropriations';

38. Takes the view that these estimates can be considered under the same rules as applied to the estimates of the Economic and Social Committee when these were an annex to the Council budget;

39. Reserves the right therefore to examine these proposals as a whole within the framework of the draft budget established by the Council.

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40. Urges that, at the end of each annual budgetary procedure, a report should be published explaining the European Parliament's policy priorities in the context of the budget of the European Communities with the primary aim of supplying information to the national parliaments;

41. Points out that these estimates are presented for the first time in running text and that for their production the interinstitutional program for computerization of the budget (SEI-BUD) has been used;

42. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the institutions concerned and the Ombudsman.

5. Discharge for implementation of 1994 budget

A4-0132/96

I.

Decision giving discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 1994 — SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its Rules of Procedure, and in particular Rule 166(3) thereof,
- having regard to Article 77 of the Financial Regulation and Article 13 of the Internal Rules for the implementation of the European Parliament's budget,
- having regard to the revenue and expenditure account and the balance sheet for the financial year 1994 (SEC(95)0254),
- having regard to the annual report of the Court of Auditors concerning the financial year 1994 ⁽¹⁾,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgetary Control (A4-0132/96),

1. Adopts the figures closing the accounts of the European Parliament for the financial year 1994 on the basis of the following amounts:

<i>Utilization of appropriations (in ecus)</i>	<i>Appropriations for the financial year 1994</i>	<i>Appropriations carried over from the financial year 1993</i>	
		<i>Article 7(1)(b)</i>	<i>Article 7(1)(a)</i>
Appropriations available	665 910 000,00	59 043 315,13	—
Commitments entered into	652 762 810,47	—	—
Payments made	595 688 023,43	50 659 564,21	—
Appropriations carried over to 1995:			
— Article 7(1)(b)	57 074 787,04	—	—
— Article 7(1)(a) Fin. Reg.			
Appropriations to be cancelled	13 147 189,53	8 383 750,92	—

Balance as at 31 December 1994: 133 111 782

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 303, 14.11.1995.

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2. Regrets that the Court of Auditors' Special Report No 5/95 concerning the framework contract for the building of Parliament's Chamber in Strasbourg addresses only formalistic aspects of the matter;
3. Agrees, however, with the Court of Auditors that, under the Financial Regulation, there can be no *'de facto'* approval or refusal of approval;
4. Deplores the fact, in spite of the considerable financial scale, that the decision to sign the Strasbourg contract was taken without regard for the ceiling in heading 5 (administrative expenditure) of the financial perspective; under the circumstances, believes that it is essential that decisions by the competent bodies of the Institution, as one arm of the budgetary authority, be coherent and effective;
5. Instructs the Secretary-General to submit alternative solutions for the financing of large construction projects to the Institution's competent bodies, in the event that heading 5 of the financial perspective is not revised or inadequately revised, so that Parliament can discharge its contractual obligations in this regard;
6. Regrets that the contract did not bear the Financial Controller's prior approval, but was nevertheless signed;
7. Notes the report, drawn up following an outside audit, on the management and effectiveness of Parliament's computing projects and systems; is awaiting completion of the Court of Auditors' audit of the use of computing in the various Institutions in order to be able to draw the relevant conclusions;
8. Regrets the considerable delay with which the Verbatim Report of Proceedings is published as an annex to the Official Journal of the European Communities; calls on the competent administrative authorities to take the necessary measures to ensure that publication takes place as soon as possible;
9. Urges, where the use of auxiliary staff is necessary, that the broadest possible range of applicants should be considered; calls on the Secretary-General to submit a report to its Committee on Budgetary Control on the Institution's policy on auxiliary staff recruitment, including the way in which the rules on policy for equality of opportunity between men and women have been applied, in good time for the first reading of the 1997 budget;
10. Stresses that the discrepancy of BF 4 136 125 between the cash situation and the accounts, an amount which was excluded from the scope of the discharge granted for the financial year 1982, will have to be regularized when the Luxembourg Commercial Court has given judgment in the case brought on 22 March 1995 by the European Parliament against La Royale Belge S.A., with which Parliament took out, on 30 June 1976, the insurance policy referred to in Article 75 of the Financial Regulation;
11. Is concerned about the present and future effectiveness of the organizational structure and management of Parliament, taking account of the implementation of the Maastricht Treaty in 1994, the increase in membership and the ever-increasing workload; asks its Secretary-General to report within 18 months, on the basis of an independent outside survey, as to how Parliament can increase the efficiency of its management and structures, in order to be prepared for future enlargement and anticipating the outcome of the IGC;
12. Gives its Secretary-General discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 1994;
13. Authorizes the giving of discharge to the Accounting Officer for the financial year 1994.

II.

Decision giving discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 1994 — Sections: IV — Court of Justice, V — Court of Auditors, VI — Economic and Social Committee/Committee of the Regions

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 203(10) of the Treaty on European Union,
- having regard to Article 22(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation,
- having regard to its resolution of 26 October 1995 ⁽¹⁾ on the 1996 draft budget,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 308, 20.11.1995, p. 122.

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- having regard to the revenue and expenditure account and balance sheet concerning the financial year 1994 (SEC(95)0254),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgetary Control (A4-0132/96),
1. Regards as justified its move to introduce an ad hoc discharge procedure for Sections IV, V and VI of the general budget;
 2. Calls on all the Institutions and advisory bodies concerned to rationalize their recruitment procedures in order to restrict the use of auxiliary staff; urges, where the use of such staff is necessary, that the broadest possible range of applicants should be considered; asks each Institution and advisory body to submit a report on its policy on auxiliary staff recruitment, including the way in which the rules on policy for equality of opportunity between men and women have been applied, to Parliament's Committee on Budgetary Control in good time for the first reading of the 1997 budget;
 3. Urges that proposals for transfers of appropriations within and between chapters should be accompanied by appropriate justifications, so as to enable Parliament to discharge its budgetary and discharge authority duties;
 4. Calls in particular on the Court of Justice to:
 - improve the quality of its budget estimates, particularly as regards expenditure under Title 2,
 - comply with the provisions of the Financial Regulation as regards the award of contracts in connection with group travel,
 - to take the cost-benefit ratio into account when deciding whether or not to take part in academic events, whose importance is in no way called into question;
 5. Notes that once again, in 1994, the Council appointed new Members of the Court of Auditors in such a way as to cause a remuneration overlap; welcomes the fact that, for the most recent appointments, the Council has complied with Parliament's approach in this connection;
 6. Expresses its concern regarding the recruitment policy of the Committee of the Regions; calls in this connection for a report to be submitted to its Committee on Budgetary Control, in good time for the first reading of the 1997 budget, which covers all the aspects of that policy and, in particular, the geographical distribution of the COR's officials;
 7. Calls for an outside audit to be carried out into the mission and travel expenses of the Members of the Committee of the Regions and for the conclusions thereof to be notified to Parliament's Committee on Budgetary Control in good time for the first reading of the 1997 budget;
 8. Gives discharge to the Secretaries-General of the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions in respect of the implementation of the budget of their respective institutions and advisory bodies for the financial year 1994;
 9. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Institutions and advisory bodies concerned.

6. 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994)

A4-0102/96

Resolution on the final report from the Commission on the implementation of the Community programme concerning the economic and social integration of the economically and socially less privileged groups in society 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994) (COM(95)0094 — C4-0150/95)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission's final report on the implementation of the Community programme concerning the economic and social integration of the economically and socially less privileged groups in society 'Poverty 3' (1989-1994), COM(95)0094 — C4-0150(95),

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- having regard to the Commission's medium-term social action programme 1995-1997 of 12 April 1995 (COM(95)0134),
 - having regard to the Commission White Paper on European Social Policy — a way forward for the Union of 27 July 1994, (COM(94)0333),
 - having regard to the Copenhagen Conference of 3-4 June 1993,
 - having regard to the Council recommendation of 27 July 1992 on the convergence of social protection objectives and policies ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to the Commission Communication 'Towards a Europe of Solidarity — intensifying the fight against social exclusion by fostering integration' (COM(92)0542),
 - having regard to the Council Decision of 18 July 1989 establishing a medium-term Community action programme concerning the economic and social integration of the economically and socially less privileged groups in society ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to its resolutions of 28 October 1993 on social exclusion ⁽³⁾, 27 October 1994 on a medium-term programme to combat exclusion and promote solidarity: a new programme to support and stimulate innovation (1994 to 1995) ⁽⁴⁾, and 16 January 1996 on the medium-term social action programme 1995-1997 (COM(95)0134 — C4-0160(95) ⁽⁵⁾,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the opinion of the Committee on Women's Rights (A4-0102/96),
- A. whereas the problem of poverty, which affects an increasing number of people and workers in the Member States of the European Union, is assuming alarming proportions and must therefore be tackled at European level, with full solidarity and adequate programmes,
- B. whereas the Poverty 3 programme has helped to develop a greater understanding of the processes of social exclusion, in particular their multidimensional and dynamic character; whereas policies must therefore be devised which address the mix of causes of the phenomenon,
- C. whereas the assessment made by the Commission in its final report has failed to make full use of the wealth of documentation provided by the projects, the Research and Documentation units, and the Central Unit, since it fails to provide detailed accounts of the work, failures and achievements of the programme; whereas the report on the implementation of the Community programme Poverty 3 should be made more thorough and more complete, making use of the information available,
- D. whereas the Commission was very late in providing documentation, evidence and information on the management of the funds made available under the programme and appears to have failed to adopt a comprehensive and constructive approach,
- E. whereas the European Union should make a specific contribution, on a long-term basis and encouraging the participation of excluded groups and their integration in society, to support exchanges of knowledge and experience, innovatory programmes, significant measures, and the dissemination of best practice, thereby helping to give added value to the actions and programmes undertaken by the Member States at national, regional and local level,
- F. whereas social exclusion, and hence poverty, is a violation of fundamental human rights and the rights of the family as the central nucleus of society which may in future undermine our democracies; whereas it must be tackled by means of a policy to promote employment and social development,
- G. whereas society and the public authorities must take responsibility for addressing the causes underlying poverty and social exclusion through the commitment and active solidarity of all European citizens,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 245, 26.8.1992, p. 49.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 224, 2.8.1989, p. 10.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 315, 22.11.1993, p. 242.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 323, 21.11.1994, p. 188.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ C 32, 5.2.1996, p. 24.

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H. whereas the European Union must inspire the less privileged sections of society with hope in a better future, by building a society in accordance with ethical, moral and economic models based on solidarity,

1. Is profoundly concerned about the 52 million people who live below the poverty threshold and at the continuing growth in the phenomenon, as well as the emergence of new forms of poverty;

2. Regrets that the Poverty 3 programme was not able to convince a number of Member States that the measures implemented by the programme can only be implemented at European and not national level; therefore expects the Commission to highlight the European connection better in future programmes and explain the need for measures at European level;

3. Calls on the Commission to justify the 4th Poverty Programme to the Council, after conducting a feasibility study on the aims, objectives, actions, means of evaluation, and coherence with other European Programmes and funding sources, and the submissions already received under the new Employment-Integra initiative from the Member States;

4. Calls on the Commission to ensure that the new programme strengthens in particular exchanges of experience with regard to pilot projects and includes policies which address all the dimensions of the problem:

- employment and professional training;
- minimum resources and social protection;
- housing;
- health and promotion of social services;
- education and culture;
- participation and representation of the population concerned;
- establishment of links between the poorest and other citizens;
- social housing policy;
- direct aid to less privileged families, particularly the families of severely disabled people;
- aid for integration in the world of work.

With this in view and bearing in mind that Poverty 3 illustrated the difficulties of applying anti-poverty measures at political and institutional level and that the basic principles of the Poverty 3 programme will therefore need to be further developed:

- multi-dimensional approach;
- partnership between public and private sector;
- participation of groups concerned,

calls on the Council to adopt without delay the Commission proposal for a programme to combat exclusion and in particular calls on the two national delegations not to oppose it;

5. Deplores the fact that in spite of the wealth of documentation available, the Poverty 3 programme has not been assessed by the Commission in terms of cost-benefit analysis or its contribution to strategic policy development in the European Union; calls for an evaluation of the programme which examines the added value aspects of the programme which would assist Member States and other organizations to develop policies to combat poverty and social exclusion;

6. Calls on the Commission to:

- (a) set up an internal operational unit to combat poverty;
- (b) reestablish the European Observatory on national policies to combat social exclusion in close coordination with the Member States and NGOs;
- (c) submit an annual report to Parliament based on the findings of the Observatory;

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- (d) ensure, in cooperation with Eurostat and the European Observatory, that the poverty index in the European Union is published regularly together with economic and unemployment indicators;
- (e) continue to fund the European Anti-Poverty Network;
7. Recalls its recommendations on equality of treatment in its resolution of 13 March 1996 embodying (i) Parliament's opinion on the convening of the Intergovernmental Conference, and (ii) an evaluation of the work of the Reflection Group and a definition of the political priorities of the European Parliament with a view to the Intergovernmental Conference ⁽¹⁾;
8. Calls on the Council to adopt the programme to assist the integration of the elderly;
9. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to include the objective of preventing social exclusion as part of the Community's general and structural policies;
10. Calls for all instruments available to the European Union, particularly the Social Fund, to be used coherently with the aim of combating poverty;
11. Calls on the Member States to comply with the Council recommendation of 24 June 1992 on common criteria concerning sufficient resources and social assistance in social protection systems ⁽²⁾ which specifically recognizes the basic right of the individual to sufficient resources and services to enable him to lead a dignified human existence;
12. Calls on the Commission to promote better awareness of the programme and any other activity designed to combat social exclusion and disseminate information on the pilot projects developed by the programme, by strengthening the information measures;
13. Expects the Commission, in its future programmes to combat poverty and social exclusion, to take account of the aspects of subsidiarity, participation by the Member States in the implementation of the programmes and more efficient use of Community resources, and to take practical measures itself for those concerned;
14. Calls on the representatives of the Member States at the 1996 Intergovernmental Conference to consider the fight against poverty and social exclusion to be one of its main objectives;
15. Calls on the Commission to draw up a report on the economic costs of poverty and social exclusion in the Member States and to propose the creation of a body within the EU which would periodically carry out a comparative study of social exclusion at world level, with the participation of all the international organizations and the representatives of G7, Africa, Asia, Australia, China, Russia and other countries which so request;
16. Stresses that it is necessary to continue to guarantee the setting-up of programmes and networks which contribute to improving quality of life for women, such as the former NOW, LEIs, IRIS, HORIZON and LEADER programmes etc., and ensuring at the same time that they have budgetary funding; since training is fundamental when it comes to looking for jobs, it is particularly necessary to reinforce programmes dedicated to vocational training for women, not only for the young, but also taking account of educational and training initiatives throughout working life;
17. Notes that poverty is increasingly affecting women and insists that conditions must be created which ensure equal opportunities for men and women as regards access to jobs; considers that the Member States should therefore devote more attention to developing facilities to assist families (creches, centres for the elderly, etc.);
18. Calls for the principle of equal pay for equal work between men and women to be a standard rule of normal working life; the Member States must accordingly be urged to take specific steps to ensure that this principle is observed on their territory;
19. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions, the governments and parliaments of the Member States, the Social Partners and the NGOs involved in the fight against poverty.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 96, 1.4.1996, p. 77.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 245, 26.8.1992, p. 46.

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7. European Centre for Industrial Relations

A4-0121/96

Resolution on the Commission Communication to the Council and the European Parliament concerning the Establishment of a European Centre for Industrial Relations (ECIR) (COM(95)0445 – C4-0440/95)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission Communication to the Council and the European Parliament concerning the Establishment of a European Centre for Industrial Relations (ECIR) (COM(95)0445 – C4-0440/95),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (A4-0121/96),
- A. whereas, in its preliminary draft budget for the financial year 1996 (COM(95)0300 – Section III) the Commission established a new item (B3-4005) with a view to accommodating a possible grant to the European Centre for Industrial Relations,
- B. whereas Parliament decided in its first reading of 26 October 1995 to allocate ECU 1,5 million to this item and provisionally enter this amount into chapter B0-40 pending adoption of Parliament's opinion on the Commission Communication concerning the financing of the ECIR (Amendment 128) ⁽¹⁾,
- C. whereas the above decision was confirmed in the final reading of the 1996 budget on 14 December 1995 (Amendment 78) ⁽²⁾ and thereby established ⁽³⁾,
- D. whereas at the beginning of 1994 the social partners ETUC, UNICE and CEEP informed the Commission of their intention to set up a joint centre for industrial relations,
- E. whereas from the very start the Commission was involved in the negotiations to establish and fund the Centre,
- F. whereas the Commission failed from the outset to inform Parliament of the developments which were taking place even though there were clear implications for the budget of the European Union,
- G. whereas the preliminary draft budget for 1996 was the first official document to the budgetary authority referring to the establishment of the above centre,
- H. whereas the Commission Communication was forwarded on 27 September 1995, only one month before the official opening of the centre,
- I. whereas the financing of this newly established centre should be considered in the wider framework of European social dialogue activities and agencies,
1. Welcomes the efforts to promote social dialogue at European Union level by means of workers'/employers' joint initiatives;
 2. Recognizes the establishment of a European Centre for Industrial Relations jointly managed by the social partners ETUC, UNICE and CEEP as it has the potential to play a valuable role in developing this policy;
 3. Censures the Commission's failure to give timely advice to Parliament of the preparations for the establishment of the Centre and warns the Commission against any future attempt to make decisions of this kind without Parliament's due involvement;
 4. Urges the social partners concerned to ensure that intended projects which are to be co-financed by the Community are discussed with Parliament as one arm of the budgetary authority;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 308, 20.11.1995, p. 253.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, p. 314.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 22, 29.1.1996, p. 948.

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5. Recognizes that there are a number of bodies financially supported by the European Union involved in social dialogue at national and European level;
6. Is concerned that the Commission and Parliament should effectively monitor the various activities in the field of social dialogue financed by the European Union to ensure quality and avoid duplication;
7. Considers it essential that the Commission should inform Parliament about:
 - what activities the European Union is financing in the social sphere, specifying their purpose and content, and
 - what system of control it has set up or intends to set up to guarantee the quality of these activities and prevent duplication;

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8. Urges the actors involved to ensure that the activities of the Centre are open to the widest possible range of beneficiaries, with particular emphasis on people directly involved in social dialogue at national, regional, local and sectoral level;
9. Takes the view that this can be achieved provided the structure of the courses managed by the Centre takes account of the work commitments of participants and the financial cost per trainee;
10. Therefore advocates more flexible arrangements (e.g. modular approach) and reduction in the length of the so-called 'long courses';
11. Would like to ensure that the Centre has an adequate multiplier effect; therefore calls on the Centre to provide training for representatives of management and trade unions in order enable them to act as 'tutors in European industrial relations' at workplace level;
12. Supports the idea of providing training opportunities for social partners represented on the Advisory Committees assisting the Commission and expects that this will improve the workings and effectiveness of these bodies;
13. Is concerned that the training role of the Centre might be undermined by the development of research-oriented activities; is therefore not convinced of the value of establishing a Chair in European Industrial Relations at the European University Institute to be funded out of the Centre's budget;
14. May however consider a position for a research coordinator to be created in order to maximise the benefits of research on industrial relations carried out by other bodies within the EU;
15. Stresses that, in order to safeguard the 'added value' of the Centre, well balanced participation of all social partners must be achieved at all times;

with regard to the 1996 budget

16. Instructs its Committee on Budgets to release the appropriations provisionally entered in Chapter B0-40 in order to allow the Centre to become operational in keeping with its work programme for the current year;
17. Instructs its Committee on Social Affairs and Employment to evaluate the Centre's activities during this year and review the Centre's work in relation to other activities carried out within the context of European social dialogue;
18. Urges the social partners involved in establishing the Centre not to create a Chair in European Industrial Relations or establish the proposed Committee of Honour, at least until the above review has been completed;
19. Recognizes that the director of the Centre will need to consult with specialists in the field of industrial relations to assist with the design and evaluation of relevant courses and action research;

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20. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and to the Secretaries-General of ETUC, UNICE and CEEP.

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8. Anti-personnel mines

B4-0582, 0596, 0602, 0613, 0629, 0646 and 0656/96

Resolution on the failure of the Conference on anti-personnel mines

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on this subject, in particular those of 29 June 1995 ⁽¹⁾, 16 November 1995 ⁽²⁾ and 14 March 1996 ⁽³⁾,
- A. whereas the conference revising the 1980 landmine protocol of the UN Conventional Weapons Convention was concluded in Geneva 3 May 1996,
- B. deploring that the Conference failed to reach an agreement banning anti-personnel (AP) mines altogether and only resulted in an agreement, recommending that mines be made more easily detectable, self-destructing and self-deactivating,
- C. alarmed at the absence of an efficient and binding international verification mechanism and at the possibility that implementation of the agreement might be delayed,
- D. noting with satisfaction, however, that the revised protocol also applies to internal conflicts, in which such mines are used most frequently,
- E. reminding that mines are easy to lay but difficult and expensive to remove and that landmines kill around 400 people a month and maim an estimated 1 200,
- F. whereas so far 39 countries have expressed their support for a ban on the use of anti-personnel mines, 16 have renounced their use by their own armed forces, 4 have suspended their use and 5 have started to destroy their stocks,
- G. whereas all Member States have announced bans or moratoria on exports of anti-personnel mines,
- H. whereas the Council has restated in its Declaration of 13 May 1996 its aim to eliminate completely all anti-personnel mines,
- I. welcoming the announcement by Canada that it will hold an international conference on anti-personnel mines in Ottawa in September 1996,
- J. taking note of the decision of President Clinton to ban dumb mines and to restrict the use of smart mines,
 1. Regrets the weak provisions of the new second protocol on landmines, in particular the vague definition of anti-personnel mines, the virtual absence of transfer barriers, the long and meaningless transitional periods and the non-existence of any efficient system of verification;
 2. Calls on the Council to adopt a strengthened joint action in order
 - to achieve a total ban of AP mines;
 - to continue working at international level for a ban, supporting the Canadian idea aiming at an anti-personnel mine-free zone amongst the countries that support a ban in September 1996 and a total ban amongst the CCW-countries at the earliest possible moment;
 - to develop an EU-policy to convince countries that stayed outside the CCW-convention so far to participate in the process as soon as possible;
 - to develop a compensation scheme for those developing countries that decide to offer their AP mines for destruction;
 3. Calls on all the Member States of the Union to unilaterally ban the production and use of AP mines and to destroy existing stocks;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 183, 17.7.1995, p. 44.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 323, 4.12.1995, p. 118.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 96, 1.4.1996, p. 292.

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4. Calls on the Union and its Member States to take every opportunity to campaign for a worldwide ban on these mines and, in particular, to put to the Ottawa Conference a practical proposal for locating and destroying them and to consider the prospects for conducting specific mine-clearance operations, as envisaged by the Commission and Council, which will require the cooperation of the WEU in drawing and carrying out such operations;
5. Calls on the Commission to draw up a blacklist of countries which produce and export such weapons;
6. Calls on the Council and the Commission to enter into dialogue with the US Government in an attempt to convince it of the need for a more far-reaching ban;
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the governments and parliaments of the Member States, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Secretary-General of the Western European Union and the Canadian Government.

9. Free movement of agricultural products

B4-0597, 0603, 0617, 0652 and 0660/96

Resolution on the free movement and transport of agricultural products in the European Union

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 7 of the EC Treaty which guarantees the free movement of goods within the EU,
 - having regard to Article 5 of the EC Treaty which requires Member States to ensure the free movement of goods on their national territory,
- A. having regard to the repeated attacks in late May by groups of French farmers on lorries transporting consignments of Spanish fruit and vegetables to countries of the European Union,
 - B. having regard to the destruction by French farmers of fruit and vegetables already on the French market,
 - C. whereas these unjustified attacks have occurred repeatedly in recent years and are a violation of the free movement of goods; whereas the economic damage caused also includes the loss of markets,
 - D. whereas the fact that this matter has been pending before the Court of Justice for years does not exempt France from its obligation to uphold the rule of law nor from its undertakings to the European Union, and whereas the Commission must continue to fulfil its task of ensuring compliance with the Treaties,
1. Condemns these occurrences, which are having a serious effect on the free movement of goods within the European Union, and the passivity of the French authorities towards them;
 2. Demands that adequate compensation be swiftly provided by the French Government to cover the losses incurred, as announced by the French Minister for Agriculture, Mr Vasseur;
 3. Urges the French Government to take the necessary measures to prevent any repetition of these occurrences and to ensure that those responsible for them are made answerable;
 4. Calls on the Council and the Commission immediately to adopt measures that will ensure that the free movement of goods also extends to the fruit and vegetables sector and guarantee fair competition between fruit and vegetable producers;

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5. Calls on the governments of the countries where these attacks are occurring to take all measures within their power to prevent them taking place in future and on producers' organizations to continue to keep contacts open so as to help the various professionals in the sector to understand each other's position;
6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission, the governments of the Member States and the French and Spanish farmers' organizations.

10. Human rights

(a) **B4-0586, 0605, 0623, 0638 and 0657/96**

Resolution on the violations of human rights in Brazil

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on Brazil, in particular those of 16 September 1993 ⁽¹⁾, 21 April 1994 ⁽²⁾ and 12 October 1995 ⁽³⁾,
 - having regard to the recent conclusion of a framework agreement with the Mercosur countries, one of the bases of which is respect for human rights,
- A. shocked at the massacre on 17 April 1996 in the village of Eldorado de Carajás (in the State of Pará, Brazil), when the police force of the State of Pará stopped a demonstration by a group of farm workers who were requesting the expropriation of land in the region with a view to agrarian reform, in which 25 workers perished at the hands of the military police,
 - B. whereas the violent suppression of demonstrations concerning social issues is a violation of basic civil rights,
 - C. whereas an important part of Brazil's active population belongs to the farming sector, and four million peasants do not have a stable work situation,
 - D. concerned that the absence of agrarian reform in Brazil is a source of violence, and stressing the need for the redistribution of unused land,
 - E. having regard to the measures taken by the President of the Republic as a result of these events and those announced by the Federal Government,
1. Strongly condemns the Eldorado de Carajás massacre and extends its sympathy to the families of the victims;
 2. Calls on the authorities of the State of Pará to do everything possible to ensure that those responsible for the carnage are arrested and brought to trial before civilian courts;
 3. Supports the efforts already made by the Federal Government of Brazil to monitor the proceedings being carried out in the State of Pará to ensure that the crimes are fully investigated and those guilty are punished;
 4. Welcomes the Federal Government's proposals to give urgent consideration to the draft law providing for the trial of crimes committed by military policemen in the course of their duties to be transferred from a military court to a civilian court;
 5. Encourages the Brazilian executive and the Parliament to conclude the agricultural reforms and hopes that the Brazilian parliament will adopt, without further delay, the draft law designed to simplify the procedures for the expropriation of the land involved in the agrarian reform;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 268, 4.10.1993, p. 139.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 128, 9.5.1994, p. 314.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 287, 30.10.1995, p. 202.

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6. Calls on the Government of Brazil to keep the debate on issues surrounding agrarian reform open, with the participation of all the social groups concerned, particularly the agricultural workers;

7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Government and Congress of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

(b) **B4-0599, 0624, 0631 and 0635/96**

Resolution on Nigeria

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the resolution of the last meeting of the ACP-EU Joint Assembly,
 - having regard to its previous resolutions on Nigeria, in particular those of 12 October 1995 ⁽¹⁾ and 16 November 1995 ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to the conclusions of the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group following the meeting of 23 April 1996,
- A. having regard to the ineffectiveness of EU sanctions against Nigeria which have been provoked by the military regime's systematic violation of human rights and principles of democracy,
 - B. having regard to the General Affairs Council of 10 and 11 June 1996 where EU-Nigeria relations will be considered in the light of the six-month appraisal period,
 - C. having regard to the European Parliament's long term concern over human rights in Nigeria and its desire to make its opinion known before the General Affairs Council on the subject of EU – Nigeria relations,
 - D. gravely concerned that despite the political and economic sanctions imposed by the EU, a vast number of prisoners of conscience are still being detained, on charges which the international community regards as spurious, and that progress towards a return to democratically elected legal government is too slow,
 - E. regretting that despite the continued abuse of human rights, diplomatic relations between the EU and Nigeria have largely been restored,
 - F. reiterating its unequivocal condemnation of the execution by hanging of Ken Saro-Wiwa and eight other members of the same movement, despite total condemnation by the international community,
 - G. appalled that Felix Ndamaigida and Rebecca Onyabi Ikpe are yet other such prisoners, who have been tried in secret and consequently convicted of treason at trials which do not meet international standards and who are now being held incommunicado without access to either family, lawyers or health care,
 - H. answering the desperate cry for help made in an open letter which was smuggled out of Nigeria to The Times newspaper on Friday 17 May 1996, from the 19 Ogonis still being held on the same charges as Ken Saro-Wiwa, describing the appalling sub-human conditions in which they are kept,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 287, 30.10.1995, p. 196.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 323, 4.12.1995, p. 91.

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- I. disturbed that these convictions appear to be based on their non-violent opposition to General Sani Abacha's government, which is in power as a result of the illegal annulment of the election results of 1993,
- J. concerned that the present sanctions imposed by the EU in relation to Nigeria have not been effective and believing new measures should now be adopted,
 1. Demands that the Council and Commission make public the report on the effectiveness of measures taken by the EU as regards its relations with Nigeria;
 2. Urges that all prisoners of conscience, including Felix Ndamaigada and Rebecca Onyabi Ikpe, be released;
 3. Calls on the Nigerian government to free the Ogoni nineteen who face the same charges before the same military tribunal that executed Ken Saro-Wiwa in November 1995;
 4. Calls on the Nigerian Government to free the lawyer of the Ogoni nineteen, Gani Fawehinmi, who has been held in detention without charges since January 1996;
 5. Calls on the Nigerian government to carry out a rapid transition to democracy, to culminate in free elections surveyed by international observers by the end of 1996;
 6. Is of the opinion that an oil embargo is one of the most effective ways to put pressure on the Nigerian government and urges the Council and Commission therefore to make a clear recommendation on how such an embargo could be implemented;
 7. Welcomes Shell's offer to clean up all oil spills and other pollution, and to repair the oil pipelines and refineries in Ogoniland;
 8. Calls on the General Affairs Council of 10 and 11 June 1996, to implement properly the visa restrictions adopted by the EU against Nigeria in November 1995;
 9. Calls on the General Affairs Council of 10 and 11 June 1996 to impose a ban on EU arms exports to Nigeria in view of its appalling human rights record;
 10. Calls on the Member States to take measures in order to freeze financial assets held in EU banks both by the Nigerian government, and by prominent individuals within the present government and their families;
 11. Calls on the Council to propose to the Member States a joint action to ensure that European companies participating in public contracts respect human rights in Nigeria;
 12. Calls on the Commission to conduct a social and environmental impact study of oil company activities on Ogoni lands and to forward it to the European Parliament;
 13. Calls for an end to all exchanges of experience undertaken with, and training given to, Nigerian government officials and military;
 14. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission before the General Affairs Council of 10 and 11 of June 1996.

(c) **B4-0588, 0608, 0630, 0642 and 0648/96**

Resolution on human rights violations in Burma (Myanmar)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on Burma (Myanmar), in particular those of 29 September 1994 ⁽¹⁾, 16 February 1995 ⁽²⁾ and 15 June 1995 ⁽³⁾,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 305, 31.10.1994, p. 98.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 56, 6.3.1995, p. 110.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 166, 3.7.1995, p. 128.

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- A. aware that Burma has been under military rule since 1962 and that, following the failed popular uprising of 1988, the new military regime under the SLORC has been particularly repressive, denying all rights to freedom of expression and association,
- B. whereas Aung San Suu Kyi, held under house arrest from 1989 until July 1995, still continues to have severe limitations placed on her personal liberty, including her freedom of movement, by the SLORC,
- C. appalled by the continuing human rights violations, including atrocities committed by the SLORC against ethnic minorities, in the country,
- D. shocked by the persecution by the Burmese authorities of the Karen people, an ethnic group of four million people, who have suffered cruel treatment and seen their villages destroyed, which has led to the flight of some 80,000 Karens to camps across Thailand; noting in particular the April 1996 Amnesty International Report on the continuous killing of Karen people by the Burmese army,
- E. noting the SLORC policy of refusing permission to foreign dignitaries on official visits to the SLORC of also meeting Aung San Suu Kyi, and of withholding visas from foreign politicians who wish to meet with her; noting that foreign journalists and aid workers sent to the region work at considerable risk to their personal safety, especially in border areas,
- F. aware of the complaint against Burma, jointly lodged by the European Trade Union Confederation and the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, alleging various forms of forced labour practised in Burma; noting the Commission's current investigations under the terms of Council Regulation No 3281/94 applying a four year scheme of generalized tariff preferences (1995 to 1998) in respect of certain industrial products originating in developing countries with a view to the possible suspension of the country from the System of Generalized Preferences,
- G. aware that the Burmese authorities have just launched the '1996 Visit Burma Year' in order to boost tourism in the country; noting that certain countries in Europe and in Asia are aiding the Burmese military regime, economically and/or militarily, ignoring the deplorable human rights situation,
 1. Calls on the Council, the Commission and the Governments of the Member States to make it clear to the Burmese military authorities that any normalisation of relations, including trade, between the EU and Burma will be dependent on progress in Burma towards the restoration of democratic institutions, respect for human rights and the abolition of forced labour;
 2. Urges the Council, the Commission and the governments of the Member States to give public support to the appeals of Aung San Suu Kyi for a national reconciliation in Burma between the military and democratic forces which guarantees the rights of all minorities and the full restoration of freedom of expression, political rights, right of association and religious freedom;
 3. Calls on the Council to define a common position on the policy to follow with regard to Burma, pursuant to Article J.2 of the EU Treaty, in order to apply all the pressure required to secure democratization in the country;
 4. Calls on the Burmese authorities to release all prisoners of conscience immediately and unconditionally (including those elected members of the National League for Democracy prevented from attending their Party Congress on May 26-27 1996) and to remove all remaining restrictions on the personal freedom of Aung San Suu Kyi, including her right to receive foreign dignitaries,
 5. Urges all the Member States to take into account the serious human rights violations by the Burmese authorities before signing trade, investment and tourism agreements with Burma;
 6. Welcomes the investigation currently being undertaken by the Commission into the allegations of forced labour in Burma with a view to a possible suspension of GSP privileges;

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7. Asks the Commission to provide adequate humanitarian aid to the Karen refugees in Thailand and refugees from other minority communities;
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, the governments of the Member states, the SLORC and Aung San Suu Kyi, the Secretary General of the UN, the UN Commission for Human Rights and the governments of the member countries of ASEAN.

(d) **B4-0607, 0625, 0637, 0640 and 0651/96**

Resolution on freedom of opinion in Albania and Belarus

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on freedom of the press and the right of access to the media during election campaigns,
- A. disturbed at the attacks on freedom of opinion and expression in several countries of Central and Eastern Europe,
 - B. whereas this is a fundamental human right and any member of the Council of Europe and/or candidate for membership of the European Union should guarantee to all its citizens complete freedom of expression and opinion,
 - C. disturbed in particular at the situation in Belarus where the freedom of the press is seriously threatened,
 - D. having regard to the situation in Albania on the eve of the general elections when access to the media should be guaranteed to all,
1. Is concerned at the actions of intimidation against the media in Belarus, characterised by increased government control and censorship of both independent and state media and stresses in this respect the actions against the independent newspapers such as the Beloruskaya delovaya gazeta, Imya and Narodnaya volya, where attempts are being made to prevent them being printed by state-owned publishing houses;
 2. Calls on the Commission and the Council to inform the Belarusian authorities of their deep concern at the violent intervention by OMON, the Belarusian special militia forces at the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster on 26 April 1996 when some 200 people were arrested, including several opposition leaders;
 3. Recalls that respect for the basic democratic principles in Belarus is a precondition for the EU-Belarus Partnership and Cooperation Agreement as well as the Interim Agreement;
 4. Calls for support to be given to the efforts of the democratic community in Belarus to secure the immediate release of all prisoners of conscience;
 5. Acknowledges the steps made by Albania towards democracy and stresses the need to strengthen them and to continue in this direction; considers that the general elections on 26 May 1996 are extremely important for the smooth development of the process of democratization;
 6. Calls, therefore, on the President and the government of Albania to guarantee that the elections for the parliament will be free and fair; calls furthermore for guarantees that all parties and candidates will be given equal access to the media during the election campaign;
 7. Welcomes the fact that, in the framework of the PHARE democracy programme, the Commission gives full support to the development and establishment of democratic institutions in Albania;
 8. Expresses its resolve to ensure that the process of further cooperation between the Eastern and Central European countries and the European Union must be directly linked to the full respect for democracy and constitutional principles;

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9. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the President, Government and Parliament of Albania and the President, Government and Parliament of Belarus.

(e) **B4-0606, 0621 and 0647/96**

Resolution on human rights in Tunisia

The European Parliament,

- A. deeply disturbed by the deterioration in the human rights situation in Tunisia,
 - B. whereas the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, stresses respect for democratic principles and human rights, reciprocity and partnership,
 - C. dismayed at the persecution to which political opposition figures and their families are subjected,
 - D. concerned at the frequent obstruction of the freedom of movement of Tunisian nationals whose passports are confiscated, in particular the recent case of Mr Frej Fenniche,
 - E. concerned at the accounts given in UN and other international bodies' reports of maltreatment, torture and lack of medical care suffered by detainees, including deaths in custody in suspicious circumstances,
 - F. alarmed at the absence of freedom of the press,
 - G. gravely concerned at the arrest of Mr Najib Hosni, a human rights lawyer, the trial of Mohammed Moudda, which did not comply with human rights or the international treaties ratified by Tunisia, the treatment of Doctor Marzouki, former President of the Tunisian Human Rights League, and the arrest of Mr Chamari, an MP and Vice-Chairman of the SDM,
 - H. welcoming the release of Sofiane Mouri and Hafedh Ben Gharbia and hoping that the Tunisian authorities will continue on this course,
- 1. Is aware that Tunisia is in a period of economic, political and social transition and must face up to the challenges of extremist movements but does not consider that to warrant the stifling of democratic freedoms which can ultimately only give succour to the extremists themselves and increase their influence;
 - 2. Calls on the Council and Commission to use the political dialogue established between the European Union and Tunisia to persuade the Tunisian authorities to alter their policy towards the democratic opposition and honour their international human rights commitments;
 - 3. Calls on its Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union to tackle the question of human rights at its next meeting with members of the Tunisian parliament;
 - 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, the Tunisian Government and the Tunisian parliament.

(f) **B4-0636 and 0649/96**

Resolution on human rights in Tibet

The European Parliament,

- recalling its earlier resolutions on the situation in Tibet,

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- A. gravely concerned by reports from Beijing and Lhasa that the Chinese authorities of occupied Tibet have widened a ban on pictures of the Dalai Lama from monasteries and temples to include schools and private homes, whereas pictures of the Dalai Lama in Tibet had been allowed since 1979,
 - B. deploring that, according to these reports, house-to-house searches are being made to check for possession of photographs of the Dalai Lama,
 - C. noting the reports of death and serious injury of a number of Tibetans as a result of violent suppression of the resulting protest,
1. Deplores China's increasing policy of repression and intimidation, as well as their continued policy of transferring population, in Tibet;
 2. Calls on the Chinese authorities to respect the freedom of religion of the Tibetan people;
 3. Urges the Chinese authorities to ensure that all those injured are allowed access to medical treatment without fear of arrest or intimidation;
 4. Instructs its Delegation for Relations with China to raise these issues with their counterparts during the upcoming meeting in Beijing in an appropriate manner;
 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Tibetan Government in Exile.

(g) **B4-0650/96**

Resolution on threats to the right to life of disabled persons

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the European Convention on Human Rights,
 - having regard to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,
 - having regard to its opinion on the biomedicine and health programme under the fourth research framework programme,
- A. referring to the visit by the Australian bio-ethicist, Peter Singer, to Europe,
 - B. whereas there are scientists in and outside Europe who assert that disabled persons have no unrestricted right to life,
 - C. whereas the right to life even of new-born children generally is being called into question,
 - D. whereas many disabled persons see such theses as direct threats to their lives,
 - E. whereas such theses are not only advanced by individuals but are increasingly finding acceptance in the scientific world,
 - F. whereas it is essential to reject and treat with contempt theses which resurrect in any way the concept of life without value since such theses are incompatible with universally valid human rights,
1. Repudiates forcefully the thesis that disabled persons, patients in a persistent vegetative state and new-born children have no unrestricted right to life;
 2. Reaffirms its unshakable conviction that the right to life must be recognized in respect of every human being independently of his or her state of health, gender, race or age;

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3. Is opposed to the practice of the active killing by doctors of patients in a persistent vegetative state and disabled new-born children, since it contradicts the principle of equality;
4. Calls on parliaments, governments and associations within and without the European Union decisively to counteract attacks on the right to life of disabled persons and new-born children;
5. Calls on the Commission to treat as part of its fundamental responsibilities the task of ensuring that such theses are not disseminated, let alone put into practice;
6. Calls on the Commission to refrain in its research programme in the field of biomedicine and health from making remarks such as 'the high prevalence of mental illnesses and the increasing incidence of neurodegenerative diseases represent an immense economic and social burden in the EU Member States';
7. Calls on the Commission, in the context of bioethical research, to take into account the fundamental principles of human rights;
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the governments of the Member States, the Commission and the Council of Europe.

11. Cambodia

B4-0598, 0612, 0627, 0644 and 0653/96

Resolution on the first EU-Cambodia agreement

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas a donor Consultative Group meeting on aid to Cambodia will take place in Tokyo in July 1996,
- B. whereas the European Union is to negotiate its first cooperation agreement with Cambodia,
- C. noting that the peace and democratisation process is progressing in the kingdom of Cambodia, with the democratic elections in 1993 and the adoption of a new constitution,
- D. noting that foreign and multinational aid accounts for 40 per cent of Cambodia's national budget, and that — after two decades of war — the country's need for assistance still is high, for example to clear mines,
- E. gravely concerned by the murder of Mr Thun Bunly, the publisher of the independent newspaper *Odemkiek Khmer* which has been suspended for anti-government articles,
- F. alarmed by the lack of press freedom in Cambodia, where four journalists have been killed since the United Nations-supervised elections ushered in a democratically elected government three years ago,
- G. concerned by the threat to the environment, and in the long run to the Cambodian economy, posed by the current large-scale logging,
- H. noting that the Cambodian government announced a total ban on new logging and exports of cut timber in the spring of 1995, but that a huge logging concession (1,3 million hectares) all the same was given to an Indonesian company at the end of the year,
- I. concerned by the environmental harm and by the loss of tax revenue that illegal logging is causing,

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- J. whereas trade in Cambodia's timber in Thailand has provided much of the funding for both sides in the civil war,
1. Calls on the Commission to include a clause which refers to democracy, human rights and the rule of law in the cooperation agreement, enabling the Union to suspend its assistance in case of serious violations of human rights and fundamental democratic principles;
 2. Invites the Cambodian authorities to do all in their power to bring to justice those responsible for the murder of Mr Thun Bunly;
 3. Asks the Cambodian government to fully respect press freedom and the right of expression;
 4. Calls on the Commission to exert pressure on the Cambodian government to save its forests by:
 - enforcing, without exception, the timber cutting and export ban,
 - improving forestry practices, reforestation, training, monitoring and enforcement,
 - implementing of a moratorium on all timber concessions as long there is no adequate forest inventory and legislation;
 5. Calls on the Commission as a donor member of the Consultative Group to press for application of the abovementioned points on the basis of mutually acceptable targets, agreed between the donors and the Royal Government of Cambodia;
 6. Calls on the Commission to impress on the Cambodian authorities the need to develop sustainable logging practices, based of the fulfilment of the abovementioned points, in the upcoming negotiations on the cooperation agreement;
 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Government of Thailand, the Government of Cambodia, the governments of all member states of the Consultative Group on Cambodia, the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

12. Liberia

B4-0632, 0633 and 0634/96

Resolution on the civil war situation in Liberia

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on Liberia and the conflicts threatening the civilian population of various African countries,
- A. seriously concerned by the continuation of the civil war in Liberia and by the grave humanitarian situation created by the resumption of fighting among warring factions in the besieged capital, Monrovia, which has led to the displacement of hundreds of thousands of people,
 - B. concerned that thousands of innocent civilians fleeing the prolonged factional fighting in Liberia risk not finding a safe haven in the neighbouring countries and continue to suffer because of the failure of their political and factional leaders to abide by the Abuja peace accord,
 - C. welcoming the decision by the United Nations to provide the neighbouring countries with the resources to take in refugees from Liberia,
 - D. acknowledging, however, the efforts already made by neighbouring countries to assist the thousands of Liberian refugees whom the civil war, in which their country has been plunged since December 1989, has forced to leave the country or go into exile,

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1. Condemns the various rival factions which are keeping up the fighting, looting and massacres of civilians, thereby forcing the people to flee Liberia;
2. Calls on all Liberian warring factions to cease fighting immediately and put the peace process back on track, in accordance with the Abuja agreement, in order to prevent any further suffering of innocent civilians;
3. Calls on the Commission to use its department for humanitarian aid (ECHO) to establish a strategy for meeting the humanitarian needs of the populations of Liberia, principally by setting up a humanitarian area in the region;
4. Supports the efforts being made to protect the refugees by the UNHCR and the non-governmental organizations operating in the area;
5. Appeals to the neighbouring countries to allow the victims of fighting in Liberia to take refuge in their countries according to international laws and calls on the European Union and the United Nations to supply the requisite assistance to the neighbouring countries who are giving shelter to the refugees in accordance with international humanitarian standards;
6. Calls on the UN Security Council and the European Union to take measures to support the peace plan and promote a return to national reconciliation in Liberia, in accordance with its resolution of 18 April 1996⁽¹⁾;
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Secretaries-General of the UN and the OAU, the Council of State and the transitional government of Liberia, and the governments of Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Nigeria.

⁽¹⁾ Minutes of that Sitting, Part II, Item 10.

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The following signed:

d'Aboville, Adam, Aelvoet, Ahern, Ahlqvist, Ainardi, Alber, Aldo, Amadeo, d'Ancona, Andersson, André-Léonard, Andrews, Angelilli, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Aparicio Sánchez, Apolinário, Arias Cañete, Azzolini, Baggioni, Baldarelli, Baldi, Balfe, Banotti, Bardong, Barón Crespo, Barros Moura, Barthet-Mayer, Barton, Baudis, Bébéar, Belleré, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Berès, Bernard-Reymond, Bernardini, Berthu, Bianco, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bloch von Blottnitz, Blokland, Böge, Bösch, Bonde, Bontempi, Boogerd-Quaak, Botz, Bourlanges, Bowe, de Brémond d'Ars, Breyer, Brinkhorst, Burenstam Linder, Cabezón Alonso, Caccavale, Caligaris, Camisón Asensio, Campos, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Carnero González, Carniti, Carrère d'Encausse, Cars, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnède, Castagnetti, Castricum, Cederschiöld, Chanterrie, Chesa, Chichester, Christodoulou, Coates, Cohn-Bendit, Colajanni, Colli Comelli, Collins Gerard, Collins Kenneth D., Colombo Svevo, Colom i Naval, Cornelissen, Corrie, Costa Neves, Cot, Cox, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Crowley, Cunha, Cunningham, Cushnahan, D'Andrea, Dankert, Darras, Daskalaki, David, De Clercq, De Coene, De Esteban Martin, Dell'Alba, De Luca, De Melo, Deprez, Desama, de Vries, Díez de Rivera Icaza, van Dijk, Dillen, Dimitrakopoulos, Di Prima, Donnay, Donnelly Alan John, Donnelly Brendan Patrick, Dührkop, Dührkop, Dupuis, Dury, Dybkjær, Ebner, Eisma, Elchlepp, Elles, Elliott, Elmalan, Eriksson, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Ewing, Fabra Vallés, Fabre-Aubrespy, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farassino, Farthofer, Fassa, Fayot, Ferber, Féret, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Ferri, Filippi, Fitzsimons, Florenz, Florio, Fontaine, Fontana, Formentini, Fouque, Fourçans, Fraga Estévez, Friedrich, Frutos Gama, Funk, Gahrton, Galeote Quecedo, Gallagher, García Arias, Garosci, Garriga Polledo, Gasòliba i Böhm, de Gaulle, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Giansily, Gillis, Girão Pereira, Glante, Glase, Goepel, Goerens, Görlach, Gollnisch, Gomolka, González Álvarez, González Triviño, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Graenitz, Graziani, Gredler, Green, Gröner, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Guigou, Guinebertière, Gutiérrez Díaz, Haarder, von Habsburg, Hänsch, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Hatzidakis, Haug, Hautala, Hawlicek, Heinisch, Hendrick, Herman, Hermange, Hernandez Mollar, Herzog, Hindley, Hoff, Holm, Hoppenstedt, Hory, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Hyland, Iivari, Imbeni, Iversen, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jackson, Jacob, JärviLahti, Jansen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jensen Lis, Jöns, Jouppila, Jové Peres, Jung, Junker, Katiforis, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kerr, Kestelijn-Sierens, Killilea, Kindermann, Kinnock, Klaß, Koch, König, Kofoed, Konecny, Konrad, Krehl, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kristoffersen, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Lalumière, La Malfa, Lambarki, Lambrias, Lang Carl, Lange, Langen, Langenhagen, Lannoye, Larive, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Le Pen, Leperre-Verrier, Le Rachinel, Liese, Lindeperg, Lindqvist, Linkohr, Linser, Linzer, Löow, Lomas, Lüttge, Lukas, Lulling, Macartney, McCartin, McGowan, McIntosh, McKenna, McMahon, McMillan-Scott, McNally, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Malerba, Malone, Mann Erika, Marin, Marinho, Marinucci, Marra, Maset Campos, Martens, Martin David W., Martin Philippe-Armand, Martinez, Mayer, Medina Ortega, Megahy, Mégret, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Mendonça, Menrad, Metten, Mezzaroma, Miller, Miranda, Miranda de Lage, Mohamed Ali, Mombaur, Moniz, Moorhouse, Moreau, Moretti, Morris, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Müller, Mulder, Murphy, Muscardini, Musumeci, Myller, Nassauer, Needle, Nencini, Newens, Newman, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Nicholson, Nordmann, Novo, Nußbaumer, Oddy, Olsson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Pailler, Papakyriazis, Papayannakis, Parigi, Parodi, Pasty, Peijs, Peltari, Pérez Royo, Perry, Pery, Peter, Pettinari, Pex, Piecyk, Piquet, des Places, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Plumb, Podestà, Poettering, Poggiolini, Poisson, Pollack, Pomés Ruiz, Pompidou, Pons Grau, Porto, Posselt, Pradier, Pronk, Provan, Puerta, van Putten, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Rauti, Read, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rehder, Rehn Elisabeth, Ribeiro, Riis-Jørgensen, Rinsche, Rocard, Rönnholm, Rosado Fernandes, de Rose, Roth, Roth-Behrendt, Rübige, Rusanen, Ryyänen, Sainjon, Samland, Sandbæk, Santini, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco, Schäfer, Schaffner, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlechter, Schleicher, Schlüter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schnellhardt, Schreiner, Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schwaiger, Seal, Secchi, Sierra González, Simpson, Sindal, Sisó Cruellas, Skinner, Smith, Sonneveld, Sornosa Martínez, Souchet, Soulier, Speciale, Spencer, Spiers, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenius-Kaukonen, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Stirbois, Stockmann, Striby, Sturdy, Svensson, Tajani, Tamino, Tannert, Tappin, Tatarella, Taubira-Delannon, Teverson, Theato, Theorin, Thomas, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Tittley, Toivonen, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Couto, Torres Marques, Trakatellis, Trautmann, Truscott, Väyrynen, Vallvé, Valverde López, Vandemeulebroucke, Vanhecke, Van Lancker, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vaz da Silva, Vecchi, van Velzen W.G., van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Verwaerde, Viceconte, Vieira, de Villiers, Vinci, Viola, Virgin, Voggenhuber, van der Waal, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Watson, Watts, Weber, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Wibe, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek, Willockx, Wilson, von Wogau, Wolf, Wynn, Zimmermann.

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ANNEX

Result of roll-call votes

- (+) = For
 (−) = Against
 (O) = Abstention

1. Santini report A4-0117/96

Amendment 3

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

ELDR: André-Léonard, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Järvilähti, Kofoed, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryyänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Bellere, Linser, Schreiner

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Cornelissen, Corrie, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Ebner, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Laurila, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Poggiolini, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schröder, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin

PSE: Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Billingham, van Bladel, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Cunningham, Dankert, David, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Linkohr, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McNally, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schulz, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tongue, Torres Couto, Truscott, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, West, Whitehead, Willockx

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Jensen Lis, des Places, Poisson

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PSE: Darras, Lindeperg, Trautmann

UPE: Baggioni, Daskalaki, Di Prima, Gallagher, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Pasty, Tajani, Vieira

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NI: Dillen, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PSE: Wibe

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2. Santini report A4-0117/96

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier**EDN:** Berthu, Jensen Lis, des Places, Poisson**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryyänänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Lukas, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Stirbois, Vanhecke**PPE:** Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Boulranges, de Bremond d'Ars, Fontaine, Grossetête, Schierhuber, Stasi**PSE:** Darras, Guigou, Lindeperg, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Trautmann**UPE:** Azzolini, Baggioni, Caccavale, Caligaris, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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ELDR: Goerens, Rehn Elisabeth**PSE:** Wibe**UPE:** Daskalaki

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3. Santini report A4-0117/96

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ARE: Barthes-Mayer, Ewing, Hory, Macartney, Pradier**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryynänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Bellere, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Lukas, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Schreiner, Stirbois, Vanhecke**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Cornelissen, Corrie, D'Andrea, Deprez, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafraña Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schröder, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin**PSE:** Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Cot, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hulthén, Ivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Linkohr, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Truscott, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Azzolini, Baggioni, Caccavale, Caligaris, Daskalaki, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**PPE:** Dimitrakopoulos, Trakatellis**PSE:** Darras, Guigou, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Trautmann**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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PSE: Blak, Sindal, Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Ewing, Hory, Macartney, Pradier**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson**ELDR:** Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, De Melo, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Peltari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryynänen, Teverson, Wiebenga**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Bellere, Jung, Linser, Lukas, Nußbaumer, Schreiner**PPE:** König, Rack, Rübig, Schierhuber, Spindelegger**UPE:** Baggioni, Di Prima, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Pasty, Schaffner**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard, de Vries**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d' Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Cornelissen, Corrie, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schröder, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin**PSE:** Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Balfe, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Cot, Crawley, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tongue, Trautmann, Truscott, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Azzolini, Caccavale, Caligaris, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Hyland, Mezzaroma, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira

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ELDR: Gredler, Watson**NI:** Dillen, Lang Carl, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke**PSE:** Baldarelli, Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Bellere, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke**PPE:** Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Dimitrakopoulos, Fontaine, Goepel, Grossetête, Herman, Reding, Stasi**PSE:** Darras, Guigou, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Trautmann**UPE:** Azzolini, Baggioni, Caccavale, Caligaris, Daskalaki, Di Prima, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Killilea, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Graefe zu Baringdorf, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Blokland**ELDR:** André-Léonard, De Melo**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Cornelissen, Corrie, Deprez, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Joupilla, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klab, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schröder, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin**PSE:** Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Linkohr, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Truscott, Vecchi, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann

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ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Peltari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryynänen, Teverson, Watson**PSE:** Wibe**V:** Gahrton, Holm, Lindholm

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6. Santini report A4-0117/96

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ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, De Clercq, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Ryyänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PPE: Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Fraga Estevez, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Hernandez Mollar, Redondo Jiménez

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: André-Léonard, De Melo, Mulder

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Bellere, Jung, Linser, Lukas, Nußbaumer, Schreiner

PPE: Alber, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, D'Andrea, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Ferber, Filippi, Fontaine, Fourçans, Friedrich, Funk, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Malangré, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübige, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schröder, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin

PSE: Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lüttge, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Azzolini, Baggioni, Caccavale, Caligaris, Colli Comelli, Crowley, Daskalaki, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

PPE: Schierhuber

PSE: Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Riis-Jørgensen, Rynänen, Teverson, Watson, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Lukas, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Schreiner, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PPE: Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Fontaine, Fourçans, Grossetête, König, Schierhuber, Stasi

UPE: Baggioni, Giansily, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Schaffner

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Blokland

ELDR: André-Léonard

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Bellere

PPE: Alber, Añoberos Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, D'Andrea, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Kristoffersen, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Lulling, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jensen Kirsten, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lange, Lindeperg, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Papakyriazis, Peter, Pieczyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Azzolini, Caccavale, Caligaris, Colli Comelli, Daskalaki, Florio, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Hyland, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira

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GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta**PPE:** Rübzig, Spindelegger**PSE:** Happart, Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson, Sandbæk**ELDR:** André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Cox, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Peltari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Lukas, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Schreiner, Vanhecke**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, D'Andrea, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübzig, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Viola, Virgin**PSE:** Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Carniti, Castricum, Caudron, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnoek, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lange, Lindeperg, Lüttge, Löw, McGowan, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Seal, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Speciale, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Tappin, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Azzolini, Baggioni, Caccavale, Caligaris, Colli Comelli, Daskalaki, Florio, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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PPE: Christodoulou, Dimitrakopoulos, Trakatellis**PSE:** Lambraki

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GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Piquet, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

PSE: Wibe

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson, van der Waal

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Amadeo, Jung, Linser, Nußbaumer, Parigi

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Castagnetti, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

UPE: Azzolini, Baggioni, Baldi, Daskalaki, Donnay, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Vandemeulebroucke

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Novo, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Hoff, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnoek, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Papakyriazis, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Crowley, Gallagher, Hyland

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, McKenna, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Larive, Lindqvist, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynnänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson, Wijsenbeek

PSE: Happart, Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney

EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, Jensen Lis, des Places, Poisson, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Haarder, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynnänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Novo, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Stirbois, Tatarella, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Joupila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klab, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Matutes Juan, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Baggioni, Baldi, Caccavale, Crowley, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Malerba, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PPE: Trakatellis

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PSE: Lambraki, Papakyriazis

UPE: Guinebertière, Martin Philippe

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Bonde

ELDR: Lindqvist

PSE: Wibe

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legislative resolution (Regulation 16)

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ARE: Barhet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney

EDN: Blokland, Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Haarder, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Vallvé, Watson, Wiebenga

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Piquet, Puerta

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Stirbois, Tatarella, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bernard-Reymond, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferber, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Joupila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepez, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Farthofer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnoek, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lambraki, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Papakyriazis, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

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UPE: Baggioni, Baldi, Caccavale, Crowley, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

V: Bloch von Blottnitz

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EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

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ELDR: Gredler, Teverson

GUE/NGL: Miranda, Novo

PSE: Wibe

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney

EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Costa Neves, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Puerta, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Schreiner, Stirbois, Tatarella, Vanhecke

PPE: Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Fontaine, Fourçans, Grossetête, Stasi, Trakatellis

UPE: Baggioni, Donnay, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Schaffner

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EDN: Blokland, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Hoppenstedt, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Provan, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum,

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Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crepaz, Cunningham, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnoek, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Baldi, Caccavale, Crowley, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Hyland, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blotnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk

GUE/NGL: Novo, Sierra González

PSE: Wibe

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ARE: Barthes-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney

EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Kofoed, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn Elisabeth, Rynänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Jové Peres, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Schreiner, Stirbois, Tatarella, Vanhecke

PPE: Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Dimitrakopoulos, Fontaine, Fourçans, Grossetête, Stasi

PSE: Lambraki

UPE: Baggioni, Daskalaki, Donnay, Giansily, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Schaffner

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EDN: Blokland, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten,

Thursday, 23 May 1996

Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rusanen, Rübige, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Piecyk, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Baldi, Caccavale, Crowley, Gallagher, Garosci, Girão Pereira, Hyland, Killilea, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk

GUE/NGL: Novo

PSE: Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvihahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Olsson, Pelttari, Plooij-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Rynänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Jové Peres, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Schreiner, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PPE: Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Fontaine, Fourçans, Grossetête, Lulling, Soulier, Stasi

PSE: Lambraki

UPE: Baggioni, Donnay, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Martin Philippe, Pasty, Pompidou, Schaffner

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EDN: Blokland, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

Thursday, 23 May 1996

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Pronk, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Collado, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Kuckelkorn, Kuhne, Lage, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

UPE: Baldi, Caccavale, Crowley, Daskalaki, Gallagher, Garosci, Hyland, Killilea, Malerba, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Tajani, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Parigi, Tatarella

PPE: Posselt

PSE: Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, de Gaulle, des Places, Poisson, van der Waal

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Pelttari, Ryyänen, Teverson, Vallvé, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Musumeci, Parigi, Schreiner, Stirbois, Tatarella, Vanhecke

PPE: Baudis, Bernard-Reymond, Boulranges, de Bremond d'Ars, Fontaine, Fourçans, Grossetête, Lulling, Stasi, Trakatellis

PSE: Lambraki, Willockx

Thursday, 23 May 1996

UPE: Baldi, Crowley, Daskalaki, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hyland, Jacob, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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EDN: Blokland**ELDR:** André-Léonard**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, González Álvarez, Jové Peres, Puerta, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Pronk, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafrañca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, West, Whitehead, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Jensen Lis, Sandbæk**GUE/NGL:** Novo**PPE:** Posselt, Schröder**PSE:** Wibe

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, de Gaulle, des Places, Poisson**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Novo, Puerta, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Amadeo, Angelilli, Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Jung, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Linser, Martinez, Musumeci, Parigi, Stirbois, Vanhecke

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PPE: Baudis, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Dimitrakopoulos, Fontaine, Grossetête, Soulier, Stasi

PSE: Lambraki

UPE: Baggioni, Baldi, Crowley, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Hyland, Jacob, Malerba, Martin Philippe, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pampidou, Rosado Fernandes, Santini, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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EDN: Blokland, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk, van der Waal

ELDR: André-Léonard, Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvilähti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Larive, Mendonça, Mulder, Pelttari, Rehn Elisabeth, Ryyänänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijzenbeek

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Böge, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Donnelly Brendan, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Janssen van Raay, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Rack, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Toivonen, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Skinner, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

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ELDR: Lindqvist

PPE: Fourçans, Schierhuber

PSE: Lage, Wibe

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Commission proposal (Regulation 25)

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Blokland, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk, van der Waal

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ELDR: Mulder, Plooij-van Gorsel, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Mohamed Ali, Puerta, Sornosa Martínez

NI: Amadeo, Angelilli, Jung, Linser, Musumeci, Nußbaumer, Parigi, Tatarella

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Böge, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Estéban Martin, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Goepel, Graziani, Grosch, Grossetête, Günther, Heinisch, Herman, Hernandez Mollar, Jarzembowski, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, Liese, Linzer, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Rack, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rinsche, Rusanen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schiedermeier, Schierhuber, Schlüter, Schnellhardt, Schröder, Schwaiger, Secchi, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stevens, Stewart-Clark, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

PSE: Lambraki

UPE: Crowley, Daskalaki, Gallagher, Girão Pereira, Rosado Fernandes, Vieira

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EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy, de Gaulle, des Places, Poisson

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Dybkjær, Fassa, Goerens, Gredler, Haarder, Järvihahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Pelttari, Rehn elisabeth, Ryyänen, Watson

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, Miranda, Novo, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Dillen, Feret, Gollnisch, Lang Carl, Le Pen, Martinez, Stirbois, Vanhecke

PPE: Burenstam Linder, Carlsson, Cederschiöld, Filippi, Habsburg

PSE: Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfe, Barón Crespo, Barton, Beres, Billingham, Blak, Bontempi, Bowe, Bösch, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Dury, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fantuzzi, Fayot, Frutos Gama, García Arias, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hendrick, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Lööw, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Meier, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Smith, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, Weiler, West, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann

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V: Aelvoet, Ahern, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Roth, Tamino, Wolf

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ELDR: André-Léonard

PSE: Happart, Papakyriazis, Wibe

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18. Papakyriazis report A4-0127/96

Commission proposal

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Bonde, de Gaulle**ELDR:** Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cox, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Goerens, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Nordmann, Pelttari, Rehn Elisabeth, Rynänen, Teverson, Watson, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Marset Campos, Miranda, Novo, Piquet, Puerta, Sierra González, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Amadeo**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bennasar Tous, Bianco, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Graziani, Günther, Habsburg, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Martens, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Peijs, Pex, Poettering, Rack, Rinsche, Schlüter, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Stasi, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G.**PSE:** Adam, Ahlqvist, d'Ancona, Andersson Jan, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Castricum, Caudron, Coates, Colajanni, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Crampton, Crawley, Crepaz, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Glante, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Hulthén, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Lambraki, Lange, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, Löow, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Pollack, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Roth-Behrendt, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Spiers, Stockmann, Tannert, Theorin, Thomas, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Waidelich, Walter, West, Whitehead, Wibe, Willockx, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Baldi, Daskalaki, Donnay, Fitzsimons, Gallagher, Giansily, Guinebertière, Hermange, Jacob, Malerba, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Schaffner, Vieira**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, McKenna, Ripa di Meana, Wolf

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Jensen Lis, des Places, van der Waal**PPE:** McCartin**PSE:** Peter

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NI: Dillen, Feret, Jung, Linser, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke**PPE:** Arias Cañete, Berend, Glase, Grosch, Hatzidakis, Laurila, Malangré, Mayer, Menrad, Nicholson, Perry, Posselt, Pronk, Rusanen, Schiedermeier, Schröder, Spindelegger, Stenmarck, Toivonen, Virgin

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19. Fabra Vallés report A4-0162/96

Amendment 1

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ARE: Ewing, Vandemeulebroucke**EDN:** Berthu, Blokland, Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk, van der Waal**ELDR:** Brinkhorst, Cox, Dybkjær, Haarder, Lindqvist**GUE/NGL:** Eriksson, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson**NI:** Amadeo**PSE:** Van Lancker, Wibe**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Bloch von Blottnitz, van Dijk, Gahrton, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Hautala, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, McKenna, Müller, Ripa di Meana, Wolf

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney**ELDR:** Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Costa Neves, Cunha, de Vries, Eisma, Goerens, JärviLahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Mendonça, Mulder, Nordmann, Pelttari, Vallvé, Vaz Da Silva, Watson, Wiebenga**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Novo, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sornosa Martínez**NI:** Jung, Linser, Musumeci, Nußbaumer**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Bianco, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Deprez, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Ebner, Elles, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klaß, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Peijs, Perry, Pex, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Rack, Reding, Rinsche, Rusanen, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schröder, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin**PSE:** Adam, d'Ancona, Aparicio Sanchez, Balfé, Barón Crespo, Beres, Billingham, van Bladel, Blak, Bontempi, Botz, Bowe, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Castricum, Caudron, Colajanni, Colino Salamanca, Collins Kenneth D., Colom i Naval, Cot, Crampton, Cunningham, Dankert, Darras, David, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Fayot, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Ghilardotti, Görlach, González Triviño, Graenitz, Green, Gröner, Guigou, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Harrison, Haug, Hawlicek, Hindley, Howitt, Hughes, Iivari, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Katiforis, Kindermann, Kinnock, Konecny, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Lage, Lambraki, Lindeperg, Linkohr, Lomas, Lüttge, McGowan, McMahon, McNally, Malone, Marinucci, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Megahy, Mendiluce Pereiro, Metten, Miller, Morris, Murphy, Myller, Needle, Newens, Oddy, Papakyriazis, Pérez Royo, Pery, Peter, Pollack, Pons Grau, Randzio-Plath, Rapkay, Read, Rönnholm, Sanz Fernández, Sauquillo Perez del Arco, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schmid, Schmidbauer, Seal, Simpson, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Stockmann, Tannert, Titley, Tomlinson, Tongue, Torres Marques, Trautmann, Truscott, Vecchi, van Velzen Wim, Verde i Aldea, Waddington, Walter, Weiler, West, Whitehead, Willockx, Wilson, Wynn, Zimmermann**UPE:** Baldi, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Guinebertière, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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ELDR: Rehn elisabeth**NI:** Dillen, Feret, Vanhecke**PSE:** Ahlqvist, Andersson Jan, Hulthén, Kuhne, Löow, Spiers, Theorin, Waidelich

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20. Fabra Vallés report A4-0162/96

Amendment 9

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Ewing, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Pradier, Vandemeulebroucke

EDN: Blokland, Bonde, Jensen Lis, Sandbæk, Striby, van der Waal

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cars, Cox, Cunha, de Vries, Dybkjær, Eisma, Goerens, Haarder, Järvilahti, Kestelijn-Sierens, Larive, Lindqvist, Mendonça, Mulder, Nordmann, Pelttari, Plooi-j-van Gorsel, Rehn elisabeth, Teverson, Vallvé, Vaz Da Silva, Watson, Wiebenga

GUE/NGL: Eriksson, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Miranda, Mohamed Ali, Novo, Piquet, Puerta, Ribeiro, Sornosa Martínez, Stenius-Kaukonen, Svensson

NI: Dillen, Feret, Musumeci, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Baudis, Bannasar Tous, Berend, Bourlanges, de Bremond d'Ars, Burenstam Linder, Camisón Asensio, Campoy Zueco, Carlsson, Casini Carlo, Cassidy, Cederschiöld, Chanterie, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Cornelissen, Corrie, De Esteban Martin, Dimitrakopoulos, Donnelly Brendan, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Filippi, Florenz, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Friedrich, Funk, Garriga Polledo, Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Grosch, Günther, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Hernandez Mollar, Jouppila, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Kristoffersen, König, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lehne, Lenz, Liese, Lulling, McCartin, McIntosh, Maij-Weggen, Malangré, Martens, Mayer, Menrad, Mouskouri, Nassauer, Nicholson, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Plumb, Poettering, Posselt, Pronk, Rack, Reding, Rinsche, Rusanen, Schiedermeier, Schlüter, Schröder, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Soulier, Spindelegger, Stasi, Stenmarck, Stewart-Clark, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, van Velzen W.G., Virgin

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UPE: Baldi, Daskalaki, Donnay, Gallagher, Garosci, Giansily, Guinebertière, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Pompidou, Rosado Fernandes, Schaffner, Tajani, Vieira

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EDN: Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy

PPE: Deprez

PSE: Kuckelkorn

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*21. Joint resolution – Tunisia**whole*

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ARE: Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Macartney**EDN:** Blokland**ELDR:** Boogerd-Quaak, Cars, Cunha, de Vries, Eisma, La Malfa, Larive, Mendonça, Mulder, Vallvé**GUE/NGL:** Ainardi, González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Maset Campos, Mohamed Ali, Pailler, Pettinari, Piquet, Puerta, Sornosa Martínez**PPE:** Maij-Weggen**PSE:** d'Ancona, Aparicio Sanchez, Baldarelli, Balfé, van Bladel, Botz, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Colajanni, Crampton, Crepaz, David, De Coene, Desama, Díez de Rivera Icaza, Dührkop Dührkop, Elchlepp, Elliott, Falconer, Gebhardt, Glante, Graenitz, Green, Hallam, Hardstaff, Hawlicek, Hindley, Howitt, Imbeni, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Lindeperg, McNally, Marinho, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Morris, Newens, Newman, Oddy, Peter, Samland, Schmidbauer, Schulz, Smith, Stockmann, Tannert, Titley, Truscott, Van Lancker, Vecchi, Watts, Wilson, Zimmermann**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lindholm, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Tamino, Voggenhuber, Wolf

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ARE: Hory, Taubira-Delannon**EDN:** Berthu, Fabre-Aubrespy**NI:** Amadeo, Dillen, Jung, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke**PPE:** Alber, Anastassopoulos, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Banotti, Bardong, Berend, Bianco, de Bremond d'Ars, Camisón Asensio, Cassidy, Christodoulou, Colombo Svevo, Corrie, Donnelly Brendan, Fabra Vallés, Fernández-Albor, Ferrer, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Klauf, Koch, Konrad, König, Langen, Lenz, Liese, McCartin, McIntosh, Martens, Menrad, Mombaur, Moorhouse, Mosiek-Urbahn, Nassauer, Oomen-Ruijten, Oostlander, Pack, Perry, Pex, Posselt, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rübig, Sarlis, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stenmarck, Theato, Thyssen, Tindemans, Trakatellis, Valverde López, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, von Wogau**PSE:** Frutos Gama, Izquierdo Rojo**UPE:** d'Aboville, Andrews, Baldi, Daskalaki, Guinebertière, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Vieira

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EDN: van der Waal**PSE:** González Triviño, Medina Ortega

Friday, 24 May 1996

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING OF FRIDAY, 24 MAY 1996

(96/C 166/05)

PART I

Proceedings of the sitting

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs SCHLEICHER

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

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

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The following spoke:

— Mr Pasty, on behalf of the UPE Group, on the murder by the GIA of seven French members of a religious order in Algeria; he asked Parliament to pay tribute to their memory and express its solidarity with their families;

— Mr Medina Ortega, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mr Martens, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Piquet, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mrs Lalumière, on behalf of the ARE Group, Mr De Vries, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Van Miert, Member of the Commission, Mr Cohn-Bendit, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Berthu, on behalf of the EDN Group, and Mr Carl Lang, Non-attached Member, who all echoed Mr Pasty's remarks.

2. Documents received

The President announced that she had received the following texts:

(a) Council: requests for opinions on:

— Proposal for a Council Regulation on financial and technical measures to accompany the reform of economic and social structures in the Euro-Mediterranean partnership (MEDA) (7326/96 — C4-0253/96 — 95/0127(CNS))

referred to
responsible: FASE
opinion: BUDG, RELA, REGI, DEVE, CONT

legal basis: Art. 235 EC

— Proposal for a decision of the EEA Joint Committee amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (SEC(96)0436 — C4-0276/96 — 96/0910(CNS))

referred to
responsible: RELA
opinion: SOCI, TRAN

— Proposal for a decision of the EEA Joint Committee amending Annex II (Technical Regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (SEC(96)0493 — C4-0277/96 — 96/0909(CNS))

referred to
responsible: RELA
opinion: RTDE, ENVI

— Proposal for a Council Decision regarding the definition and implementation of Community policy in the field of telecommunications and postal services (COM(96)0045 — C4-0284/96 — 96/0042(CNS))

referred to
responsible: TRAN
opinion: BUDG, ECON, RTDE

legal basis: Art. 235 EC

*(b) Commission:**(ba) proposals and/or communications:*

— Communication from the Commission: Community structural assistance and employment (COM(96)0109 — C4-0230/96)

referred to
responsible: REGI
opinion: ECON, SOCI, WOME

— Amended proposal concerning a European Parliament and Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code (COM(96)0184 — C4-0289/96 — 95/0182(COD))

referred to
responsible: ECON
opinion: RELA

legal basis: Art. 028 EC, Art. 100a EC, Art. 113 EC

— Amended proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Council Directive 89/552/EEC on the coordination of certain provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in Member States concerning the pursuit of television broadcasting activities (COM(96)0200 — C4-0290/96 — 95/0074(COD))

referred to
responsible: CULT
opinion: ECON, RELA, LEGA, ENVI

legal basis: Art. 057(2) EC, Art. 66 EC

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— Proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the basic Decision relating to the Socrates programme to include Turkey among the beneficiary countries (COM(96)0199 — C4-0293/96 — 96/0130(COD))

referred to

responsible: CULT

opinion: BUDG, RELA, SOCI

legal basis: Art. 126 EC, Art. 127 EC

— Proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the basic Decision relating to the third phase of the Youth for Europe programme to include Turkey among the beneficiary countries (COM(96)0199 — C4-0294/96 — 96/0131(COD))

referred to

responsible: CULT

opinion: BUDG, RELA, SOCI

legal basis: Art. 126 EC

— Amended proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision adopting a programme of Community action on health monitoring in the context of the framework for action in the field of public health (COM(96)0222 — C4-0296/96 — 95/0238(COD))

referred to

responsible: ENVI

opinion: BUDG, SOCI

legal basis: Art. 129 EC

(bb) the following documents:

— Management Account and Financial Statement concerning operations under the 1995 budget — Volume I (Section III — Commission) Section 1: Revenue and Expenditure; Section 2: Financial Management Report (SEC(96)0421 — C4-0280/96)

referred to

responsible: CONT

opinion: committees concerned

language available: FR

— Management Account and Financial Statement concerning operations under the 1995 budget — Volume II (Section III — Commission and Euratom supply agency) (SEC(96)0422 — C4-0281/96)

referred to

responsible: CONT

opinion: committees concerned

language available: FR

— Management Account and Financial Statement concerning operations under the 1995 budget — Volume III (Section I — European Parliament — Section II -Council — Section IV — Court of Justice — Section V — Court of Auditors — Section VI — Economic and Social Committee and Committee of the Regions (SEC(96)0423 — C4-0282/96)

referred to

responsible: CONT

opinion: committees concerned

language available: FR

— Management Account and Financial Statement concerning operations under the 1995 budget — Volume IV — Consolidated accounts and financial statement — Explanatory notes (SEC(96)0424 — C4-0283/96)

referred to

responsible: CONT

opinion: committees concerned

language available: FR

— Opinion of the Commission on the European Parliament's amendments to the Council's Common Position concerning the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision adopting a programme of Community action on the prevention of drug dependence within the framework for action in the field of public health (1996-2000) (COM(96)0201 — C4-0292/96 — 94/0135(COD))

referred to

responsible: ENVI

opinion: BUDG, RELA, SOCI, CULT, DEVE, CIVI

legal basis: Art. 129 EC

3. European Observatory for SMEs (Rule 52)

The President announced that, in the absence of written opposition from one-tenth of Parliament's component Members belonging to at least three political groups, the resolution in the report by Mr Mezzaroma, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy, on the Commission communication — 'The European Observatory for SMEs' — Comments by the Commission on the third annual report (1995) (COM(95)0526 — C4-0202/95) (A4-0139/96) was deemed to have been adopted pursuant to Rule 52(5) (*Part II, Item 1*).

4. Cohesion Fund (Rule 52)

The President announced that, in the absence of written opposition from one-tenth of Parliament's component Members belonging to at least three political groups, the resolution in the report by Mrs Sornosa Martínez, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Regional Policy, on the draft Commission decision concerning information and publicity measures to be carried out by the Member States and the Commission concerning activities of the Cohesion Fund under Council Regulation (EC) 1164/94 of 16 May 1994 (C4-0014/96) (A4-0114/96) was deemed to have been adopted pursuant to Rule 52(5) (*Part II, Item 2*).

5. Classical swine fever * (Rule 99)

The next item was the vote on a proposal for a Council Directive introducing Community measures for the control of classical swine fever (consolidated version) (COM(95)0598 — C4-0075/96 — 95/0298(CNS))

referred to

responsible: LEGA

opinion: AGRI

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PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(95)0598 — C4-0075/96 — 95/0298(CNS):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 3*).

6. Conservation of fishery resources * (Rule 99)

The next item was the vote on an amended proposal for a Council Regulation laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources (consolidated version) (COM(95)0613 — C4-0084/96 — 00/0532(CNS))

referred to
responsible: LEGA
opinion: FISH

AMENDED PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0613 — C4-0084/96 — 00/0532(CNS):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 4*).

7. Marketing of seeds and plants * (Rule 99)

The next item was the vote on a proposal for a Council Directive amending Directives 66/400/EEC, 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 66/403/EEC, 69/208/EEC and 70/458/EEC on the marketing of beet seed, fodder plant seed, cereal seed, seed potatoes, seed of oil and fibre plants and vegetable seed (COM(96)0127 — C4-0269/96 — 96/0099(CNS))

referred to
responsible: AGRI
opinion: ENVI

PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE COM(96)0127 — C4-0269/96 — 96/0099(CNS):

Parliament approved the Commission proposal (*Part II, Item 5*).

8. Conservation of fishery resources in Mediterranean * (Rule 99)

Report by the Committee on Fisheries on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 — C4-0069/96 — 95/0328(CNS)) (A4-0134/96, rapporteur: Mr Baldarelli) (without debate).

PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0635 — C4-0069/96 — 95/0328(CNS):

Amendment adopted: 1

Amendment rejected: 2 by RCV

Results of RCVs:

am. 2 (PPE, V):

Members voting:	179
For:	78
Against:	97
Abstentions:	4

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 6*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 6*).

9. Fishing agreement with Mauritania * (Rule 99)

Report by the Committee on Fisheries on the proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplement to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on fishing off the coast of Mauritania for the period 15 November 1995 to 31 July 1996 (COM(95)0726 — C4-0114/96 — 96/0005(CNS)) (A4-0120/96, rapporteur: Mr Girão Pereira) (without debate).

PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0726 — C4-0114/96 — 96/0005(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1; 2

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 7*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 7*).

10. Population policies in developing countries **I (vote)

Nordmann report — A4-0122/96

PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION COM(95)0295 — C4-0421/95 — 95/0166(SYN):

Amendments adopted: 40; 35 by EV (105 for, 74 against, 0 abstentions); 2 to 7 collectively; 8; 41; 39; 42; 43; 9 and 10 collectively; 11; 12; 45; 46; 47; 36 by RCV; 14 to 18 collectively; 49; 33 by EV (110 for, 64 against, 6 abstentions); 21; 22; 23 and 24 collectively; 25; 37 (1st part) by EV (118 for, 67 against, 1 abstention); 37 (2nd part) by EV (95 for, 83 against, 3 abstentions); 38 by EV (106 for, 82 against, 1 abstention); 34 by EV (104 for, 78 against, 1 abstention); 28 to 31 collectively

Amendments rejected: 32 by EV (83 for, 84 against, 12 abstentions); 44; 48 by RCV; 50

Amendments fallen: 13; 19; 20; 26; 27

Amendment not put to the vote (Rule 125(1)(e)): 1

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Split votes:

am. 37 (ARE):

1st part: up to 'developing countries'
2nd part: remainder*Results of RCVs:*

am. 48 (PPE):

Members voting:	186
For:	27
Against:	157
Abstentions:	2

am. 36 (PPE):

Members voting:	190
For:	91
Against:	86
Abstentions:	13

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 8*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 8*).**11. Assistance to West Bank and Gaza Strip (vote)**

Gahrton report — A4-0129/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 1; 2 (1st part); 3*Amendments rejected:* 2 (2nd part) by EV (83 for, 104 against, 0 abstentions)

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Split votes:

am. 2 (PPE):

1st part: up to 'Palestinian authority'
2nd part: remainderParliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 9*).**12. Habitat II (vote)**

Motions for resolutions B4-0581, 0590, 0591, 0592 and 601/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B4-0581/96:

Amendments adopted: 11; 6 by EV (99 for, 76 against, 2 abstentions); 12 by EV (94 for, 69 against, 3 abstentions); 13; 14; 15 by EV (98 for, 60 against, 0 abstentions); 16; 4 by EV (100 for, 69 against, 0 abstentions); 5 by EV (78 for, 73 against, 0 abstentions); 17 and 18 collectively by EV (104 for, 66 against, 0 abstentions); 19 by split vote; 20 by EV (97 for, 67 against, 0 abstentions); 21; 23 by EV (94 for, 59 against, 1 abstention); 24 by EV (97 for, 65 against, 1 abstention)*Amendments rejected:* 10 (1st part); 7; 22 by EV (76 for, 82 against, 0 abstentions)*Amendment fallen:* 10 (2nd part)*Amendments withdrawn:* 1; 2; 3; 8 and 9

The different parts of the text were adopted in order (recital A (158 for, 18 against, 4 abstentions) and para. 10 (88 for, 76 against, 1 abstention) by EV).

The following spoke during the vote:

— Mrs Baldi, on behalf of the UPE Group, proposed an oral amendment to am. 22 replacing 'the Structural Funds' with 'a Structural Fund'

The President established that more than twelve Members were opposed to this oral amendment being put to the vote, as a result of which, pursuant to Rule 124(6), the amendment was not considered.

Separate votes: para. 10 (V), para. 11 (V)*Split votes:*

am. 10 (V):

1st part: up to 'monuments'
2nd part: remainder

am. 19 (UPE):

1st part: up to 'local communities'
2nd part: remainderParliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 10*).

(Motions for resolutions B4-0590, 0591, 0592 and 0601/96 fell.)

13. Trade and environment (vote)

Kreissl-Dörfler report — A4-0156/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments rejected: 1; 2; 3

The different parts of the text were adopted in order (para. 14 by EV (98 for, 69 against, 1 abstention)).

The following spoke during the vote:

— the rapporteur raised a linguistic problem at the beginning of the vote; Mr Kellett-Bowman asked the rapporteur if he had spoken as rapporteur or on his own behalf; Mr Kreissl-Dörfler replied that he had spoken on behalf of the V Group.

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 11*).**14. Cooperation with countries of Central and Eastern Europe (vote)**

Pex report — A4-0084/96

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Amendments adopted: 6 by EV (77 for, 70 against, 1 abstention); 2 (1st part) by EV (74 for, 67 against, 2 abstentions)

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Amendments rejected: 5; 7; 1; 10 by EV (61 for, 67 against, 13 abstentions); 2 (2nd part); 8; 9; 3 by EV (62 for, 74 against, 13 abstentions); 4

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Separate votes: para. 2 (V); para. 3 (V); para. 7 (GUE/NGL)

Split votes:

am. 2 (rapporteur):

1st part: up to 'policies'

2nd part: remainder

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 12*).

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Explanations of vote:

Sornosa Martínez report (A4-0114/96):

— *in writing:* Mr Wibe

Baldarelli report (A4-0134/96):

— *in writing:* Mrs Fraga Estévez and Mrs Izquierdo Rojo

Girão Pereira report (A4-0120/96):

— *in writing:* Mr Wibe, Mrs Jöns

Habitat II (B4-0581/96):

— *oral:* Mrs Schroedter

— *in writing:* Mr Lindqvist

Kreissl-Dörfler report (A4-0156/96)

— *oral:* Mr Berthu

— *in writing:* Mr Van der Waal

Pex report (A4-0084/96):

— *in writing:* Mr Van der Waal

15. Agricultural statistics * (debate and vote)

Mr Jové Peres introduced his report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, on the proposal for a Council Decision on improving Community agricultural statistics (COM(95)0472 — C4-0526/95 — 95/0250(CNS)) (A4-0115/96).

The following spoke: Mr Mulder, draftsman of the opinion of the Committee on Budgets, Mr Hallam, on behalf of the PSE Group, Mrs Kjaß, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Cunha, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Mr Maset Campos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Vallvé and Mr Van Miert, Member of the Commission.

The President closed the debate.

VOTE:

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION COM(95)0472 - C4-0526/95 - 95/0250(CNS):

Amendments adopted: 1 to 18 collectively

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 13*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 13*).

16. Balanced participation of women and men in decision-taking * (debate and vote)

Mrs Crepaz introduced her report, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights, on the proposal for a Council Recommendation on the balanced participation of women and men in decision-making (COM(95)0593 — C4-0081/96 — 95/0308(CNS)) (A4-0149/96).

Mrs Marinucci spoke on behalf of the PSE Group.

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The following spoke: Mrs Colombo Svevo, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Maset Campos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mrs Van Dijk, chairman of the Committee on Women's Rights, on behalf of the V Group, Mrs Gröner, Mrs Laurila, Mrs Izquierdo Rojo, Mr Van Miert, Member of the Commission, Mrs Van Dijk, who put a question to the Commission which Mr Van Miert answered, and Mrs Crepaz, rapporteur.

The President closed the debate.

VOTE:

PROPOSAL FOR A RECOMMENDATION COM(95)0593 — C4-0081/96 — 95/0308(CNS)

Amendments adopted: 1 to 22 and 24 to 36 collectively

Amendment not put to the vote (Rule 125(1)(e)): 23

Parliament approved the Commission proposal as amended (*Part II, Item 14*).

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION:

Parliament adopted the legislative resolution (*Part II, Item 14*).

17. Trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya (statement followed by debate)

Mr Van Miert, Member of the Commission, made a statement on US measures concerning trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya.

The following spoke: Mr Kittelmann, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mr Malerba, on behalf of the UPE Group, Mr Puerta, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Mr Kreissl-Dörfler, on behalf of the V Group, Mr Dupuis, on behalf of the ARE Group, and Mr Van der Waal, on behalf of the EDN Group.

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The President announced that he had received motions for resolutions pursuant to Rule 37(2) from the following Members:

— Kittelmann, Pex, König, von Habsburg, Dimitrakopoulos and Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the PPE Group, on the obligations of the United States under GATT 1994 and GATS (B4-0658/96);

— González Álvarez, Novo, Svensson, Ainardi, Vinci, Pettinari, Alavanos, Theonas and Gutiérrez Díaz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the Commission's statement on the measures adopted by the United States regarding trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya (B4-0659/96);

— Kreissl-Dörfler and Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group, on measures by the USA affecting trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya (B4-0661/96);

— Miranda de Lage, on behalf of the PSE Group, on US duties under GATT 1994 and GATS (B4-0662/96);

— De Clercq, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on US measures concerning trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya (B4-0663/96);

The following spoke: Mr von Habsburg, Mr Van Miert and Mr Rosado Fernandes, the latter to criticise the decision by the Conference of Presidents to enter an item of this importance on a Friday at the end of the sitting.

The President closed the debate.

VOTE

Motions for resolutions B4-0658, 0659, 0661, 0662 and 0663/96.

MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS B4-0658, 0659, 0661, 0662 and 0663/96:

— joint motion for a resolution tabled by the following Members:
Miranda de Lage, on behalf of the PSE Group,
Kittelmann, on behalf of the PPE Group,
Chesa, on behalf of the UPE Group,

De Clercq, on behalf of the ELDR Group,
González Álvarez, Novo, Svensson, Ainardi, Vinci, Pettinari, Alavanos, Theonas, Gutiérrez Díaz and Sornosa Martínez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,
Kreissl-Dörfler and Telkämper, on behalf of the V Group,
Dupuis, on behalf of the ARE Group,

to replace these motions with a new text:

Amendment adopted: 3

Amendments rejected: 2; 1

The different parts of the text were adopted in order.

Parliament adopted the resolution (*Part II, Item 15*).

18. Membership of committees

At the request of the PPE Group, Parliament ratified the following appointments:

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Mr Pomés Ruiz;

Committee on the Rules of Procedure: Mr Gil-Robles Gil-Delgado

19. Forwarding of resolutions adopted during the sitting

The President informed Parliament, pursuant to Rule 133(2), that the Minutes of that day's sitting would be submitted to Parliament for its approval at the beginning of its next sitting.

With Parliament's agreement, he stated that he would forward the texts that had just been adopted forthwith to the bodies named therein.

20. Dates for next sittings

The President announced that the next sittings would be held on 5 and 6 June 1996.

21. Adjournment of session

The session was adjourned.

(The sitting closed at 11.35 a.m.)

Enrico VINCI
Secretary-General

Klaus HÄNSCH
President

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PART II

Texts adopted by the European Parliament

1. European Observatory for SMEs (Rule 52)

A4-0139/96

Resolution on the Commission Communication 'The European Observatory for SMEs' – Comments by the Commission on the third annual report (1995) (COM(95)0526 – C4-0202/95)*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the third annual report of the European Observatory for SMEs,
 - having regard to the Commission's comments on this report (COM(95)0526 – C4-0202/95),
 - having regard to its previous resolutions on the policy for the benefit of SMEs and, in particular, its resolution of 19 January 1995 on the second annual report of the European Observatory for SMEs ⁽¹⁾,
 - having delegated the power of decision to its Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy pursuant to Rule 52 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy (A4-0139/96),
- A. having regard to the decisive role, amply corroborated by the statistics available, of small and medium-sized enterprises in creating employment, which gives particular importance to the efforts being undertaken to assist the growth and development of SMEs in the European Union,
- B. noting with satisfaction the intensification of efforts in the Member States to simplify the administrative environment in which SMEs have to operate and to improve training for management and workers, access to credit and investment in equity capital,
- C. noting that the proportion of SMEs engaging in export activities is increasing strikingly, and that the level of exports by businesses is not in direct correlation with their size, which confirms that exporting is not a privilege reserved for large businesses,
- D. whereas growth-orientated SMEs are more productive and more likely to contribute to the medium-term development of employment, training, social welfare and competitiveness,
1. Welcomes the growth of cooperation between firms as encouraged, for example, by the BC-Net, and notes that European Economic Interest Groupings (EEIGs) satisfactorily meet the need of SMEs to forge stable links with partners in other countries of the Union while at the same time retaining their independence;
2. Notes with concern that the possibilities for access by SMEs to public contracts continue to be extremely limited, particularly in the case of small-scale transnational contracts, which are those likely to be of the greatest interest to SMEs, and calls on the Member States in consequence to disseminate more widely all information relating to calls for tender falling below the present level for automatic public tendering;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 43, 20.2.1995, p. 76.

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3. Takes the view that public intervention for the benefit of SMEs, whether it takes the form of administrative assistance, gathering and dissemination of information or the implementation of specific policies or financial contributions, must strike a fair balance between growth-orientated firms and micro companies, while allowing the latter to benefit fully from a lightening their bureaucratic load without affecting social protection;
4. Notes that SMEs contribute significantly to job creation and geographical equilibrium in Europe, takes the view that the development of industrial activities by the SMEs plays a decisive role in regional development and the growth of stable employment possibilities, particularly in the assisted regions, and considers that the Member States should pay more attention to eliminating all obstacles to the establishment of businesses in those regions where they are most likely to play an employment-stimulating role;
5. Notes that SMEs play a major role in the process of innovation, in both high-technology and traditional industries, and calls on the Commission and the Member States to support by all appropriate means the founding and assistance of new technological businesses and to provide for greater participation by SMEs in the major Community research and training programmes in order to encourage innovation, the application of new technologies and the spirit of enterprise throughout the Union;
6. Notes that SMEs still have much greater difficulty than large companies in obtaining bank loans at reasonable rates or capital on the markets, and takes the view that the creation of a genuine European capital market for fast-growing SMEs is essential as a means of enabling them to make the best possible use of their assets in the context of the global competition with which they are faced and points out that a multitude of European capital markets targeted towards SMEs will dilute the availability of capital and will be detrimental to the liquidity of any such markets, but stresses nevertheless that a pan-European capital market for internationally oriented growth SMEs can and should be complementary to existing national SME markets;
7. Takes the view that the development of stock-market funding for a greater part of the economic structure represented by the largest SMEs is not only possible but desirable, and calls in consequence on the Member States to eliminate any fiscal distinction between borrowing and issuing shares as a means of raising capital, and to encourage accounting transparency and the dissemination of economic information by these companies with a view to eliminating the factors which act as a brake on the interest of investors in a market in which the lack of proper information creates an excessive factor of uncertainty and in this context also calls on the Member States to eliminate current restrictions on pension funds to invest in equity markets which would significantly enhance the availability of capital in and liquidity of such markets;
8. Takes the view that in a context of curbed inflation and a drop in real interest rates, the financing of SMEs would be facilitated as much by the granting of guarantees as by interest-rate subsidies and welcomes the recent Commission initiative for a 'European Loan Insurance Scheme for Employment' and calls upon the Council to establish this new instrument as soon as possible;
9. Calls in this context upon the Commission to come forward with a proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive to deal with the problem of late payments, which has become pressing and urgent for numerous SMEs whose clients (the public authorities among them are often the worst late payers) use delaying payments beyond an agreed payment date as a very cheap and easy way of short-term credit, a problem which has threatened the very existence of many of them;
10. Considers that the development of specific applications for SMEs could make a useful contribution towards encouraging SMEs to increase their use of information technologies, but takes the view that the availability of generic services of immediately apparent usefulness will do most to encourage SMEs to become part of the information society;
11. Considers that the reports by the European Observatory for SMEs effectively meet the need which has been expressed for relevant information and a thorough analysis of the situation and prospects of European SMEs, and takes the view that the approach adopted by the Commission has proved to be the right one, but could still be improved in a number of ways, and therefore calls on the Commission to:
 - continue its work in this area, with a view *inter alia* to achieving more extensive utilization of the reports and ensuring that they are able to reach a wider public;

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- look at possible ways of stimulating cooperation between the Observatory's network and other Europe-wide organizations likely to help increase the usefulness of the project;
 - encourage greater use of the most recent information available in the Member States, particularly any information relating to assessing the impact of the single market on SMEs;
12. Considers it essential that the employment and growth potential of SMEs should be maximized and put to full use, and calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement the measures best suited to:
- simplifying the administrative environment in which SMEs and especially micro-companies have to operate without dismantling the current system of social protection;
 - reducing the structural distortions caused by excessive bureaucracy which stand in the way of the establishment and development of SMEs;
 - ensuring that SMEs and their organizations play a greater role in decision making;
 - facilitating financing for employment-creating SMEs;
 - facilitating the creation and operation of a European capital market for growth SMEs complementary to existing national SME markets;
 - promoting the use of information technologies by SMEs;
 - encouraging SMEs' access to the information society;
 - eliminating obstacles to market access and reducing the distortions resulting from State subsidies;
 - promoting research, innovation and training for SMEs;
 - strengthening transnational cooperation between SMEs;
 - helping to make SMEs more competitive and international;
 - coordinating national policies for SMEs among themselves and with others in the Union;
13. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, the European Investment Bank and the European Investment Fund.

2. Cohesion Fund (Rule 52)

A4-0114/96

Resolution on the draft Commission Decision concerning information and publicity measures to be carried out by the Member States and the Commission concerning the activities of the Cohesion Fund under Council Regulation (EC) 1164/94 of 16 May 1994 (C4-0014/96)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Council Regulation (EC) 1164/94 of 16 May 1994 establishing a Cohesion Fund ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Article 14 thereof,
- having regard to the draft Commission Decision concerning information and publicity measures to be carried out by the Member States and the Commission concerning the activities of the Cohesion Fund,
- having regard to its resolution of 11 March 1994 on information and publicity measures to be carried out by the Member States concerning assistance from the Structural Funds and the Financial Instrument for Fisheries Guidance (FIFG) ⁽²⁾,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 130, 25.5.1994, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 91, 28.3.1994, p. 320.

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- having regard to its resolution of 29 June 1995 on the Annual Report of the Commission on the cohesion financial instrument (1993/94) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having delegated the power of decision, pursuant to Rule 52 of its Rules of Procedure, to the Committee on Regional Policy,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy (A4-0114/96),
- A. mindful of the significant contribution made by the Cohesion Fund to achieving economic and social cohesion in the Union,
- B. whereas transparency in the operation of the Cohesion Fund makes a decisive contribution to monitoring Community assistance and this is a condition which must be met if its effectiveness is to be guaranteed,
- C. whereas the Union's involvement in combating regional disparities needs to be made as widely known as possible and whereas full and accurate information on the measures financed by the Cohesion Fund will help to increase the public consensus on European integration,
1. Approves the general criteria set out in the Commission draft; points out, however, that the provisions envisaged in the draft refer almost exclusively to publicity for the measures financed and that they largely disregard information as such;
 2. Considers the notion of information displayed by the Commission, which amounts to no more than publicity, to be insufficient, a view which it has already voiced in its opinion on the information provisions with regard to the Structural Funds; considers it important that the public should be aware of the scope and repercussions of Community assistance but also considers it essential for information measures to facilitate, in the interests of transparency and subsidiarity, participation by the public, through regional and local administrations, and by the social partners;
 3. Considers it necessary to round off the Commission proposal by guaranteeing general prior information on the Cohesion Fund in general and conditions governing access to assistance, to be directed at regional and local authorities so as to increase their involvement in the choice of objectives, the consideration of alternatives and, in short, the selection of projects to be financed; is convinced that this would make a decisive contribution to making the operation of the Cohesion Fund more effective;
 4. Calls on the competent authorities of the Member States to endeavour to submit requests to appear before national and regional parliaments or local institutions, pursuant to the relevant rules, in order to provide information on projects accepted by the Cohesion Fund, and to seek to publicize such sessions as widely as possible; calls also for these information activities to be specifically promoted in universities;
 5. Urges the Commission, in close consultation with the national, regional and local authorities, especially those with powers in the areas of transport infrastructure and environment, to take measures to guarantee the dissemination of information regarding the Cohesion Fund, the Structural Funds and other financial instruments aimed at combating regional disparities with a view to creating an information network on the Union's policy of economic and social cohesion;
 6. Calls, since one of the key objectives of the Fund is to combat regional disparities, for the competent authorities of the Member States, when drawing up projects, to include an analytical forecast quantifying the rectification of the inequalities;
 7. Recalls that one of the objectives of the provisions on information is to make potential beneficiaries and professional organizations aware of the possibilities offered by a particular action and considers the way in which this aspect has been dealt with in the provisions proposed by the Commission to be insufficient; calls on the Member States to supply this information through national or regional official journals or other channels with a similar reach;
 8. Recommends, given that one of the objectives pursued through information and publicity measures is to make widely known the great opportunities for development offered by the Fund, that such measures be extended to regions similar to those currently hosting joint projects, since the healthy emulation thereby generated will have a multiplying effect on the information and publicity being carried out;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 183, 17.7.1995, p. 36.

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9. Observes with surprise that, in its draft, the Commission classifies the publicity measures to be taken according to the level of investments, a classification which legitimizes projects with a cost less than ECU 10 million; has the impression that the Commission appears in this way to be acknowledging a growth in projects with a cost less than that mentioned above and recalls that Regulation 1164/94 lays down that the total cost of a project may not be less than ECU 10m, below which only duly justified exceptions will be authorized;
10. Welcomes the role which the Commission has set aside for the monitoring committees on information and publicity, as regards both their own activities and the application of the general provisions; takes the view that these functions may help to enhance the role to be played by these committees in monitoring and evaluating the Cohesion Fund;
11. Expresses its doubts regarding the actual possibilities for the monitoring committees to carry out the functions assigned to them by the draft Commission decision given that, as far as it is aware, there are only national monitoring committees which meet infrequently and in which difficulties are still being encountered as regards the participation of the competent regional and local authorities, despite the provisions of Article F(3) of the implementing provisions for Regulation 1164/94;
12. Insists again, therefore, on the need to strengthen and improve the composition and operation of the monitoring committees; to this end, calls on the representatives of the Commission, when a project has been completed, to conduct a specific study into the quantity, quality and adequacy of the information and publicity measures carried out;
13. Asks the Commission to ensure that Directive 90/313/EEC on the freedom of access to information on the environment is respected in order to guarantee the greatest possible transparency in the implementation of assistance under the Cohesion Fund;
14. Calls for the competent authorities of the Member States, when drawing up projects, to adopt the necessary measures to enable the budget to include a specific heading on the funding of the planned information and publicity measures;
15. Takes the view that the Commission should ensure that the annual report referred to in Article 14(1) of Regulation 1164/94 is circulated as widely as possible;
16. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission.

3. Classical swine fever * (Rule 99)

Proposal for a Council Directive introducing Community measures for the control of classical swine fever (consolidated version) (COM(95)0598 – C4-0075/96 – 95/0298(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

4. Conservation of fishery resources * (Rule 99)

Amended proposal for a Council Regulation laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources (consolidated version) (COM(95)0613 – C4-0084/96 – 00/0532(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

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5. Marketing of seeds and plants * (Rule 99)

Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directives 66/400/EEC, 69/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 66/403/EEC, 69/208/EEC and 70/458/EEC on the marketing of beet seed, fodder plant seed, cereal seed, seed potatoes, seed of oil and fibre plants and vegetable seed (COM(96)0127 – C4-0269/96 – 96/0099(CNS))

The proposal was approved.

6. Conservation of fishery resources in Mediterranean * (Rule 99)

A4-0134/96

Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 – C4-0069/96 – 95/0328(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendment:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION (*)

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(Amendment 1)

Recital 2a (new)

Whereas the Commission is to carry out a study into the effects of game fishing of bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean using fishing equipment linked to aerial reconnaissance devices;

(*) OJ C 41, 13.2.1996, p. 17.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (COM(95)0635 – C4-0069/96 – 95/0328(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0635 – 95/0328(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0069/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Fisheries (A4-0134/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 41, 13.2.1996, p. 17.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

7. Fishing agreement with Mauritania * (Rule 99)

A4-0120/96

Proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplement to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on fishing off the coast of Mauritania for the period 15 November 1995 to 31 July 1996 (COM(95)0726 – C4-0114/96 – 96/0005(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION

AMENDMENTS
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(Amendment 1)

Recital 2a (new)

Whereas, in accordance with the Interinstitutional Agreement of 29 October 1993 on budgetary discipline and improvement of the budgetary procedure, expenditure relating to this Protocol is non-compulsory;

(Amendment 2)

Article 3a (new)

Article 3a

When the period of application of this Agreement has expired, the Commission shall submit to the Council and the European Parliament a report on the utilization of the fishing opportunities and the conditions for application thereof.

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Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplement to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on fishing off the coast of Mauritania for the period 15 November 1995 to 31 July 1996 (COM(95)0726 – C4-0114/96 – 96/0005(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0726 – 96/0005(CNS),
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 228(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty (C4-0114/96),
 - having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Fisheries and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Development and Cooperation (A4-0120/96),
1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

8. Population policies in developing countries **I

A4-0122/96

Proposal for a Council Regulation on aid for population policies and programmes in the developing countries (COM(95)0295 – C4-0421/95 – 95/0166(SYN))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

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(Amendment 40)

Citation 2a (new)

Having regard to the action platform adopted in Cairo in 1994 at the World Conference on Population and Development,

(Amendment 35)

Recital 1

Whereas *high rates of population growth seriously limit the capacity of most developing countries to achieve social and*

Whereas **a number of factors impede** the capacity of most developing countries to achieve social and economic

(*) OJ C 310, 22.11.1995, p. 13.

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TEXT PROPOSED
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economic development; whereas these countries have adopted national birth-spacing programmes;

development; **whereas one of many reasons is the high rate of population growth**; whereas these countries have adopted national birth-spacing programmes;

(Amendment 2)

Recital 2a (new)

Having regard to the conclusions of the European Parliament hearing of 25 November 1993, which highlighted the complex relations between demography and development, particularly the fact that, while population growth may up to a certain threshold be a factor of economic progress, the very high levels of growth observed in a number of developing countries make it impossible to meet the resulting needs and to provide the population with the prospect of balanced development, particularly from an environmental point of view;

(Amendment 3)

Recital 2b (new)

Whereas population issues are factors of global interdependence in the current context of globalization of trade;

(Amendment 4)

Recital 2c (new)

Having regard to trends recently observed in some developing countries, in particular the changing patterns of reproductive behaviour which have led in many cases to a reduction in birth rates;

(Amendment 5)

Recital 2d (new)

Whereas individual freedom of choice in reproductive matters for men and women is an important factor in progress and development;

(Amendment 6)

Recital 3a (new)

Whereas the Community encourages the right of an individual to choose the number and spacing of their children, and condemns any country or organization which abuses human rights by the promotion of coerced abortion, forced sterilization, infanticide and the rejection, neglect and abuse of unwanted children as a means to control population growth;

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(Amendment 7)

Recital 4

Whereas the Community has undertaken to follow up the Cairo conference, notably by increasing its financial support for population programmes in the developing countries;

Whereas the Community has undertaken to follow up the Cairo conference, notably by increasing its financial support for population programmes in the developing countries **to ECU 300 million by the year 2000;**

(Amendment 8)

Recital 5

Whereas the recipient countries must be helped to introduce balanced population programmes that are compatible with sustainable development, and to develop strategies for the *emancipation of women, which is a determining factor in birth control*, through measures in a variety of social, economic and cultural sectors, and in particular the key sectors of education and health;

Whereas the recipient countries must be helped to introduce balanced population programmes that are compatible with sustainable development, and to develop strategies for the **empowerment of women and gender equity, which are determining factors in the uptake of family planning**, through measures in a variety of social, economic and cultural sectors, and in particular the key sectors of education and health;

(Amendment 41)

Recital 5a (new)

Whereas, to be really effective, population policies of this kind must form part of a larger set of measures to deal with poverty and the threat to the environment;

(Amendment 39)

Recital 6

Whereas *new operations of this kind are conducive to the sustainable economic and social development of the developing countries and their harmonious and progressive integration into the world economy;*

Whereas operations of this kind **will be effective only if they are backed up by a form of** sustainable economic and social development **that will permit the** harmonious and progressive integration **of the developing countries** into the world economy;

(Amendment 42)

Recital 6a (new)

Whereas the objectives of any form of Community financing are family planning, reproductive health, the fight against sexually transmissible diseases and the development of research in these areas;

(Amendment 43)

Recital 6b (new)

Whereas non-governmental organizations play a fundamental role in the success of health, education and planning policies, particularly with women and girls;

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(Amendment 9)

Article 1

The Community shall conduct cooperation in support of population policies in the developing countries.

The Community shall conduct cooperation in support of population **programmes and** policies in the developing countries.

(Amendment 10)

*Article 1a (new)***Article 1a**

This cooperation in the area of population policy shall gradually take account of all the aspects of demography (birth rates, mortality rates, migration, etc.) and the population dimension shall be incorporated over time into the various aspects of development policy.

(Amendment 11)

Article 2(1), first indent

— enabling women and men to make a free and informed choice about the number and spacing of their children,

— enabling women and men to make a free and informed choice about the number and spacing of their children, **and preventing unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS,**

(Amendments 12 and 45)

Article 2(1), second indent

— contributing to the creation of a sociocultural, economic and educational environment conducive to the full exercise of that choice, especially for women,

— contributing to the creation of a sociocultural, economic and educational environment conducive to the full exercise of that choice, especially for women **and girls, notably by condemning and eliminating any form of violence and sexual cruelty detrimental to their human dignity and health,**

(Amendment 46)

Article 2(1), third indent

— helping develop or reform health systems in order to improve the accessibility and quality of reproductive health care, thereby appreciably reducing the risks to the health of women and children.

— helping develop or reform health systems in order to improve the accessibility and quality of reproductive health care, **taking account of vital needs such as risk-free pregnancy and the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS,** thereby appreciably reducing the risks to the health of women and children.

(Amendment 47)

Article 2(1), third indent a (new)

— **encouraging development programmes which take account of the need for equality between women and men, in the family and in economic, social, cultural and political activities,**

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(Amendment 36)

Article 2(1), third indent b (new)

- **complying strictly, when implementing the programme, with the decision taken at the Cairo Conference that abortion should under no circumstances be encouraged as a family planning method; for this reason, abortions shall not be financed from this item of the budget,**

(Amendment 14)

Article 2(2), first indent

- support for the establishment and development of family-planning services as part of policies implemented by governments, international bodies and NGOs, particularly targeting marginal groups for whom the issue is especially important,
- support for the establishment and development of **reproductive health and** family-planning services as part of policies implemented by governments, international bodies and NGOs, particularly targeting marginal groups for whom the issue is especially important, **e.g. adolescents,**

(Amendment 15)

Article 2(2), third indent

- the improvement of reproductive health care infrastructure, equipment, supplies or training,
- the improvement of reproductive health care infrastructure, equipment, supplies or training (**including safe motherhood, antenatal and postnatal care, family planning and the prevention and management of sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS**).

(Amendment 16)

Article 2(2), fourth indent

- support for information, education and awareness campaigns aimed, in particular, at promoting understanding of the wider social benefits of *speeding up the demographic transition*,
- support for information, education and awareness campaigns **and advocacy** aimed, in particular, at promoting understanding of the wider social benefits of **reproductive health care and low population growth rates**.

(Amendment 17)

Article 2(2), fifth indent a (new)

- **family policy, including education and literacy programmes incorporating information on reliable, legal methods of contraception.**

(Amendment 18)

Article 3

The recipients of aid and cooperation partners shall include not only states and regions, but local services, regional

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organizations, government agencies, traditional or local communities, private operators and industries, including cooperatives, NGOs and grassroots associations.

organizations, government agencies, traditional or local communities, private operators and industries, including cooperatives, **Member State and local** NGOs and grassroots associations.

(Amendment 49)

*Article 3a (new)***Article 3a**

Since women are at the heart of sustainable human development, they shall be called upon to participate in the design, planning, implementation and assessment of all population projects and programmes.

(Amendment 33)

*Article 3b (new)***Article 3b**

Programmes shall be conducted on the basis of dialogue with the national, regional and local authorities concerned, in such a way as to avoid imposing policies without consultation and, as far as possible, to take account of the cultural, social and economic situation of the population groups involved.

(Amendment 21)

Article 4(1)

1. Community assistance in the implementation of the operations referred to in Article 2 shall include studies, technical assistance, training or other services, supplies and works, and evaluation and monitoring missions and audits.

1. Community assistance in the implementation of the operations referred to in Article 2 shall include studies, **service delivery**, technical assistance, **advocacy**, training or other services, **information, education and communication**, supplies and works, and evaluation and monitoring missions and audits.

(Amendment 22)

Article 4(1a) (new)

1a. Community assistance shall not be granted to any country or organization which permits or encourages coerced abortion, forced sterilization or infanticide as a means of controlling population growth.

(Amendment 23)

Article 4(3a) (new)

3a. A financial contribution from local partners, in particular to operating costs, shall be sought as a priority in cases where a project is designed as a start-up for an ongoing activity, in order to ensure the sustainability of such projects after Community funding has ceased.

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(Amendment 24)

Article 4(5)

5. The Commission shall take all coordination measures necessary to maximise overall efficiency by enhancing the consistency and complementarity of operations financed by the Community and the Member States, and in particular:

- (a) the setting-up of a standard system for exchanges of information on the operations financed or considered for financing by the Community *and* the Member States;
- (b) on-the-spot coordination of operations through regular meetings and exchanges of information between the representatives of the *Commission and the Member States* in the recipient country.

5. The Commission shall take all coordination measures necessary to maximise overall efficiency by enhancing the consistency and complementarity of operations financed by the Community, the Member States, **the EIB and other bilateral and international donors** and in particular:

- (a) the setting-up of a standard system for exchanges of information on the operations financed or considered for financing by the Community, the Member States, **the EIB and other bilateral and international donors**;
- (b) on-the-spot coordination of operations through regular meetings and exchanges of information between the representatives of the **donors** in the recipient country.

(Amendments 25 and 37)

Article 6(5)

5. Participation in invitations to tender and the award of contracts shall be open on equal terms to natural and legal persons of the Member States and of the recipient country. It may be extended to other *developing* countries.

5. Participation in invitations to tender and the award of contracts shall be open on equal terms to natural and legal persons of the Member States and of the recipient country **and other developing countries (including non-governmental organizations as well as private consultancies)**. It may be extended to other **third** countries in **exceptional, duly justified cases**.

(Amendment 38)

Article 6(6)

6. Supplies shall originate in the Member States, the recipient country or other developing countries. *In exceptional cases, where circumstances warrant, supplies may originate elsewhere.*

6. Supplies shall originate in the Member States, the recipient country or other developing countries. **Exceptions shall be permitted on agreement with the responsible authority, particularly where those concerned would otherwise incur higher costs or disproportionately high expenditure.**

(Amendment 34)

Article 7(3)

3. The committee shall meet once a year, during a joint meeting of the three committees mentioned in the first paragraph, to discuss the general guidelines presented by the Commission representative for operations in the year ahead.

3. The committee shall meet once a year, during a joint meeting of the three committees mentioned in the first paragraph, to discuss the general guidelines presented by the Commission representative for operations in the year ahead. **The Commission shall establish the general guidelines, taking into account UN and other specific studies, to be presented on the basis of consultations held with the authorities, partner organisations and beneficiaries in the countries receiving assistance.**

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(Amendment 28)

Article 7(3a) (new)

3a. Meetings held under the terms of this Article shall take place in public and the full minutes forwarded to Parliament and the Council for information within 10 working days of each meeting.

(Amendment 29)

Article 8, first paragraph

At the end of each budget year, the Commission shall present a report to Parliament and the Council summarizing the operations financed in the course of that year and evaluating the implementation of this Regulation over that period.

At the end of each budget year **and at the latest when the preliminary draft budget for the following financial year is submitted**, the Commission shall present a report to Parliament and the Council summarizing the operations financed in the course of that year and evaluating the implementation of this Regulation over that period.

(Amendment 30)

Article 8, second paragraph

The summary shall in particular *contain information about* those with whom contracts have been concluded.

The summary shall in particular **give details of** those with whom contracts have been concluded.

(Amendment 31)

Article 9, first paragraph a (new)

It shall be subject to review five years after it comes into force.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation on aid for population policies and programmes in the developing countries (COM(95)0295 – C4-0421/95 – 95/0166(SYN))

(Cooperation procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0295 – 95/0166(SYN) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 189c and 130w of the EC Treaty (C4-0421/95),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Budgetary Control (A4-0122/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 310, 22.11.1995, p. 13.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;
3. Calls on the Council to incorporate Parliament's amendments in the common position that it adopts in accordance with Article 189c(a) of the EC Treaty;
4. Calls for the conciliation procedure to be opened should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
5. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
6. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

9. Assistance to West Bank and Gaza Strip

A4-0129/96**Resolution on the Commission Communication to the Council and the European Parliament on future European Union economic assistance to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip (COM(95)0505 – C4-0488/95)***The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on future European Union economic assistance to the West Bank and the Gaza strip (COM(95)0505, C4-0488/95),
 - having regard to its recommendation to the Council of 15 December 1995 on the election of the Council and President of the Palestinian Authority and the role of the Union, ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to its opinion of 14 December 1995 on the proposal for a Council Regulation on financial and technical measures to support the reform of economic and social structures in Mediterranean non-member countries and territories (MEDA Programme) ⁽²⁾,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on External Economic Relations, the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the Committee on Budgetary Control (A4-0129/96),
- A. welcoming the Union's support for the Middle East peace process, which, *inter alia*, has resulted in the holding of the first democratic elections in the Palestinian autonomous territory,
 - B. convinced that these elections have endowed the Palestinian autonomous territory with a democratic legislative and executive decision-making structure,
 - C. convinced that the serious economic situation and the poverty of these territories are amongst the factors which could contribute to a strengthening of religious fundamentalism, which could pave the way for terrorism,
 - D. hoping that the prospects for economic, social and humanitarian development can help to put an end to terrorist movements,
 - E. whereas a comprehensive assistance strategy which will contribute to a tangible improvement in economic and social conditions for the Palestinian people is the most effective means of broadening popular support for the peace process and to mitigate the existence and appeal of extremist organizations which oppose the peace process,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, p. 457.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 17, 22.1.1996, p. 184.

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- F. believing economic aid to be an indispensable part of any strategy designed to achieve lasting peace in the region, since a successful peace process can only be ensured if the people affected prosper economically, socially, culturally and in humanitarian terms,
- G. whereas outside aid will continue to be needed for the foreseeable future, since less than one third of the population can be breadwinners within the money economy and hence an 'abnormally' high proportion of production must be directed at basic provision, which, in turn, means that there is little surplus for investment,
- H. whereas the European Union cannot single-handedly contribute all the necessary resources and create the conditions for synergy between the countries involved and the international and regional organizations active in the Palestinian autonomous territory,
- I. having regard to the significant degree of consensus amongst experts that assistance so far has been piecemeal, unintegrated and haphazard, and whereas great efforts must be made to coordinate aid both between the EU and other donors as well as amongst the individual Member States, with a view to ensuring consistency of cooperation and to improve complementarity between operations,
- J. recalling the final resolution of the Euro-Mediterranean Conference held in Barcelona on 27/28 November 1995, at which the participants (including Palestine) stressed their desire to establish a comprehensive system of cooperation,
1. Welcomes the Commission's initiative for a comprehensive programme of aid for a democratic Palestinian autonomous territory in which respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms must be guaranteed and the fight against terrorism must be continued;
 2. Believes that assistance should aim to contribute to sustainable economic and social development, and contribute to the general objective of developing and consolidating democracy and the rule of law; activities financed must ensure the visibility of Community projects and programmes;
 3. Regards as very important the contribution which the EU can make through budget heading B7-705, MEDA for democracy, to the establishment and proper working of democratic institutions which foster the development of a pluralistic and a multi-party Palestinian society;
 4. Hopes that these initiatives will permit the full integration of all forces and movements which, whilst differing in their appraisal of the peace process, reject terrorism as an instrument of political struggle;
 5. Welcomes the fact that the EU, by providing 45% of the entire donor effort, is the largest donor to Palestinian development, followed by Saudi Arabia (19%) the US (16%) and Japan (8%); believes, however, that other Arab states should be encouraged to increase assistance, which could serve both as a concrete indication of their approval of the peace process and contribute to widening public support for it in the region;
 6. Believes that, since the majority of countries which bear most responsibility for development aid are now members of the EU, it is reasonable that the European Union should accept special responsibility for helping the Palestinians now that they have been given an opportunity to determine their own destiny to a greater extent;
 7. Believes that the EU should provide assistance which may be required to facilitate the implementation of the future Israeli-Palestinian agreement regarding the question of Israeli settlements and Palestinian refugees;
 8. Is of the opinion that the EU's financial assistance to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip should contribute to creating a unified and political entity, but considers that the potential for success will be increased by taking into account that currently the two entities differ economically, socially and politically and that Gaza has a lower level of development than the West Bank;
 9. Takes the view that every form of aid given to the autonomous Palestinian territory by the EU and its Member States should be regarded as a contribution towards the establishment of a lasting and stable peace in the Middle East;

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10. Believes that exchanges of experience with European journalists and other measures aimed at providing legal and practical safeguards for the freedom of the media in Palestine (such as legislation on the freedom of speech, the appointment of a press ombudsman, etc.) should be encouraged;
11. Believes that EU aid towards the creation of an administration should be stepped up so that the Palestinian autonomous territory can effectively take on new responsibilities, such as healthcare and medical services;
12. Considers it important, in order to enable the Palestinians to administer significant amounts of international aid with greater effectiveness, to provide assistance for the establishment of the requisite technical and financial machinery; this must be organized so as to provide the means for public accountability and transparency — features which should be essential elements of financial assistance;
13. Believes that, with this in view, consideration should be given to the establishment of an ad hoc financial institution, to be set up by the donor countries in agreement with the Palestinian authority,
14. Asks the Commission to make an improved effort in resolving administrative and institutional obstacles to facilitate absorption capacity and the rapid implementation, monitoring and adequate control of the EU assistance programmes for the development of the Occupied Territories;
15. Considers that the lessons to be learned from recent history in this field prompt the conclusion that the Commission should radically overhaul its internal mechanisms for decision-making, management and implementation of expenditure by placing emphasis on rapid decision-making and a single command structure for the application of decisions;
16. Considers that assistance and financing with a view to strengthening the social infrastructure administered by the Palestinian Authority is essential, as their current weaknesses create a serious gap which has allowed for the provision of such services by organizations such as Hamas, which opposes the peace process;
17. Takes the view that the EU should provide support for family planning measures, if the Palestinians so wish;
18. Believes that EU support for genuine popular movements (NGOs) should be increased, provided that this does not benefit Hamas or related organizations;
19. Considers it essential that, when implementing cooperation programmes within the region, the Commission promote the strand of public opinion which favours and supports the peace process and that it is ensured that no assistance is provided to organizations which oppose the peace process;
20. Takes the view that, as the threats to the peace process are considerable, it is important that the rest of the world, including the EU, step up its support for practical measures to aid the development of the Palestinian autonomous territory;
21. Stresses that the two priority objectives of the EU should be to help the Palestinian public and private sectors to create employment as soon as possible by the creation of industrial parks (60% of the active population is out of work in the Gaza Strip) and to set up a legal framework and a modern physical infrastructure in order to further the ability of the economy to function effectively (water, telecommunications, road and rail networks, electricity);
22. Considers that it is important for the democratic countries of the world to emphasize to the Palestinian autonomous territory that abuse of power is never permissible in a democratic society based on the rule of law, however 'abnormal' the situation might be;
23. Takes the view that the EU's economic assistance should first and foremost be used to promote employment in the Palestinian autonomous territory and that this should not be assistance exclusively for the long term but, rather, also short-term help in the light of the Palestinians' high unemployment and precarious economic situation;
24. Believes that the economic protocol between Israel and the PLO signed on 29 April 1994 in Paris, removes the main restrictions and distortions burdening the economy of the Occupied Territories and points out in this regard that the transfer of economic powers to the Palestinian Authority will promote the existence of a platform from which to initiate an autonomously-based development process;

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25. Regards it as essential nevertheless that the remaining administrative and structural distortions harming the competitiveness of Palestinian firms in the Occupied Territories be eliminated as soon as possible;
26. Takes the view that EU aid should be directed at sustaining social facilities which function well but which are threatened with closure owing to a lack of resources; believes that the EU should also contribute towards supporting society's most marginalized groups, for example the physically and mentally handicapped;
27. Notes that, although the EU already gives key Palestinian farm products free or preferential access and manufactured products enjoy free access, this has not generated significant trade flows to the EU; therefore considers that the possibility of strengthening and extending existing concessions should be considered and encouragement given to other industrialized countries to do the same;
28. Believes that the EU should work for an extension of trade concessions for agricultural products in respect of which the Palestinians have special requirements, e.g. cut flowers and strawberries;
29. Emphasizes the lack of a trade policy designed to regulate competitive behaviour and the inability to promote industrial development strategies such as export promotion; accordingly the Commission should take steps to provide technical know-how in these areas;
30. Considers that the EU should contribute to the construction of both a port and an airport, since the lack of such structures constitutes an obstacle to the diversification of markets for Palestinian exports and limits the choice of imports;
31. Considers equality to be a fundamental human right; believes, in view of this, that all aid to Palestine must take account of equality; takes the view that NGOs whose work includes issues of equality should be encouraged to step up contact with their counterparts in Palestine;
32. Takes the view that the Palestinian strategy for development must 'be owned by the Palestinian people', and not something which is imposed on the Palestinians by outsiders;
33. Takes the view that budget constraints must not be allowed to prevent the Palestinian authorities from taking social and security-related initiatives;
34. Takes the view that a dogmatic ideology of austerity must not be allowed to prevent increases in staffing levels which are required for social and security-related reasons within the Palestinian public sector;
35. Notes that, with regard to the EU budget, assistance to the West Bank and Gaza is available from various budget lines and considers that the Commission must ensure the synergetic effect of such aid;
36. Believes that the possibility of subsidizing EIB interest rates through a contribution from the Community budget should be considered;
37. Believes that, of the alternative strategies put forward by the Commission as regards trade policy, priority should be given to the following:
 - (a) bilateral agreements with the EU and other industrialized countries in order to open up their markets to Palestinian goods;
 - (b) regional cooperation in the field of transport and water and energy supply;
 - (c) the creation of an enterprise climate for the promotion of private investment;
 - (d) coverage for insurance (reinsurance) in respect of investment risks;
38. Stresses that, for the future, bilateral relations between the EU and the West Bank/Gaza Strip should be bolstered by:
 - support for the territories as fully-fledged participants in the policy for the establishment of a Euro-Mediterranean Partnership;
 - formalizing bilateral relations by the conclusion of an interim Agreement with a view — when the necessary international conditions prevail — to the conclusion of a Mediterranean Association Agreement which must respect the 1993 Israeli/Palestinian Oslo Agreement;

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39. Invites the Commission to provide financial support for projects to create the necessary transport infrastructure, within the territories and for external links, for contributing to Palestinian autonomy and to the economic development of the territories;
40. Welcomes the establishment of the Palestinian Energy Centre, and believes that encouragement should be given to discussions with the authorities of countries in the neighbouring region with a view to establishing a regional energy centre for the Middle East;
41. Is aware of the strategic importance of the management of the region's water resources, in political and technical terms, and therefore invites the Commission to promote the study and implementation of joint projects in this sector;
42. Believes that the EU ought to be prepared to give assistance in connection with desalination plants, but on condition that they are operated with existing or renewable energy sources and do not give rise to the use of nuclear energy;
43. Believes that the EU ought actively to provide technical assistance for the development of alternative energy sources, not least solar energy, and in this way help to avoid the use of nuclear power;
44. Stresses that it is imperative for the EU and other donors to establish the need to construct new sewage systems as a priority of their technical aid and stresses that cooperation towards integrated management of water resources and development of resources taking into account the promotion of sustainable development should be a major goal of the EU-Mediterranean Partnership;
45. Believes that EU aid to and operations in the Palestinian autonomous territory should always have an environmental aspect, inter alia requiring the Palestinian authorities to take account of environmental factors in their strategies and action plans for the future of the Palestinian autonomous territory;
46. Believes that the EU, its Member States and, in particular, environmental organizations should contribute know-how and experience in order to help the Palestinians to avoid repeating the environmental sins committed by the industrialized countries;
47. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the President of the Palestinian Authority and the Israeli Government.

10. Habitat II

B4-0581/96

Resolution on the UN Habitat II Conference: 'the City Summit', Istanbul, June 1996

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas up to 18 million people within the European Union can now be considered as being either homeless or very badly housed in substandard or overcrowded conditions,
- B. whereas the world's urban population is constantly growing and will represent in 2025 two thirds of the total; whereas already 600 million people worldwide are estimated to be living in 'life- and health-threatening' homes and neighbourhoods because of inadequacies in housing and in provision of daily infrastructures and services,
- C. whereas the Habitat II Conference to be held in Istanbul on 2-14 June 1996 will be the last of a series of 20th century UN conferences addressing some of the most fundamental issues with regard to the quality of life of future generations,

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- D. whereas the reasons for the increasing difficulties of access to adequate and affordable housing include the lack of adequate resources, long-term unemployment and gaps in the social protection safety nets and lack of adequate social housing units,
 - E. whereas all Member States have recognized the right to adequate housing for all as a principle by ratifying the 1966 UN International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, in their national legal provisions or in their administrative practice,
 - F. whereas non-implementation of the right to housing is a breach of the principles and democratic values on which European society is based, as stated in the European Convention on the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, according to Article F(2) of the Treaty on European Union,
 - G. whereas, ever since 1955, housing assistance programmes and programmes to improve the residential environment of coal and steel workers and their families in order to contribute to the quality of production and competitiveness of companies in this industry have been funded by the Commission with justifications based on the Treaty,
 - H. whereas there is a growing need to promote transnational exchanges of information and experience about ways of preventing housing exclusion,
 - I. whereas only a long term and concrete policy in favour of housing the most vulnerable groups will be able to bring about sustainable and in-depth solutions to the dramatic housing problems our countries are now facing and will thereby stimulate job creation which is now the Community's top priority,
 - J. whereas women have been largely excluded from participating fully in the decisions that shape the development of human settlements in cities, towns and villages, though it is women who suffer the most and who have the worst shelter,
 - K. whereas indigenous people on the one hand and refugees, migrants and street children on the other hand are both victims of forced movement from their traditional territory or settlements and therefore especially affected by the problem of decent housing and living conditions,
 - L. whereas the Commission is discussing the opportunity of having a Green Fund for Third World cities to support a wide range of community-level environmental improvements,
 - M. whereas the European Union has not so far been actively involved in international action for human settlements,
 - N. whereas the Commission will be taking part in the Habitat II Conference, and a lot is expected of the European Union's involvement in this Conference,
1. Invites the Commission to draw up terms of reference for sound and equitable access to adequate housing for all in the framework of a well-defined principle of subsidiarity, in order to determine the objectives to be achieved throughout the Member States, while taking into account local realities;
 2. Reminds the Commission that there cannot be real economic integration without social integration;
 3. Urges the European Union to incorporate the right to housing into all treaties and charters regulating European Union activities and objectives;
 4. Asks the Council and Commission to initiate a programme aimed at reinforcing cooperation between local players concerned with setting up pilot projects (comprising the four elements of housing, employment, training and services) for the global integration of marginalized groups, on the model of the programme set up by Cecodhas, Feantsa and the European Trade Union Confederation, and to involve women in it fully, as they are a powerful factor in the fight against exclusion and play a decisive role in the preservation and restoration of social ties and solidarities;
 5. Calls on the Commission to examine how ECSC funding competence can be continued;

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6. Asks the Commission to stimulate the creation of new jobs in the field of construction and the housing environment and to encourage access by women to professions such as architecture, civil engineering, the construction professions and town planning, so as to improve the habitat as a whole for all Union citizens;
 7. Reminds the Commission of the essential role of the voluntary sector, whilst recognizing that solidarity organized by state authorities is the fundamental principle of democracy;
 8. Asks the Commission to support key European organisations like Feantsa and Cecodhas insofar as they operate in the field of better access to housing for vulnerable groups;
 9. Considers that, for each of these actions, the Union can act more effectively than Member States can in isolation and contribute to more parallel, complementary and well-informed actions at the appropriate levels, in the spirit of the Union treaties;
 10. Urges the European Union to support at the Habitat II Conference international recognition of the right to housing, especially improving the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;
 11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to build up a political consensus at the Habitat II Conference in favour of a policy for human settlements integrating environmental, social, economic and cultural aspects, and a renewed international effort for the implementation of Local Agenda 21s in cities and local authorities;
 12. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to work at the Habitat II Conference in favour of encouraging decentralization and strengthening the role of local communities, so that international loans and funds can be directly accessible to local authorities, NGOs, community-based organizations etc without government mediation;
 13. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to work at the Habitat II Conference in favour of the empowerment of indigenous people as well as migrants, refugees and street children so that they can have the political and financial means to determine their living and housing conditions;
 14. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to join the major international global programmes for human settlements in developing countries so as to promote more efficient policy coordination;
 15. Calls on the Commission to strongly support the European Sustainable Cities Campaign;
 16. Calls on the Commission to review its policy in urban areas of developing countries so as to enable the involvement of local communities and especially of women in project implementation, their direct access to funds allocated, and closer coordination with similar actions of the Member States in the affected areas;
 17. Invites the housing ministers to place the recommendations of this resolution on the agenda of their next informal meeting and on the agenda of its next social affairs session;
 18. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the parliaments and governments of the Member States, the Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions, the social partners, and the UN General Assembly and Centre for Human Settlements.
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11. Trade and environment

A4-0156/96

Resolution on the negotiations in the World Trade Organization (WTO) on trade and the environment

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 90(5) of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to its resolutions of 22 January 1993 on environment and trade ⁽¹⁾ and 24 March 1994 embodying the recommendations of the European Parliament to the Commission concerning the negotiations in the Trade Negotiations Committee of GATT on an agreement on a Trade and Environment Work Programme ⁽²⁾ and its legislative resolution of 14 December 1994 on the proposal for a Council Decision concerning the conclusion of the results of the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations 1986 to 1994 (COM(94)0143 — C4-0160/94 — 94/0114(CNS)) ⁽³⁾,
- having regard to the conclusions of UNCED and Agenda 21 as regards trade and the environment,
- having regard to the decision of the GATT Ministerial Conference of 14 April 1994 in Marrakesh to set up a WTO Committee on Trade and Environment which is to submit specific proposals for agreements to the Ministerial Conference in December 1996, on the basis of a 10-point work programme, aimed at helping to ensure greater compatibility between efforts to liberalize international trade and a policy of sustained environmental protection,
- having regard to the public hearing held by its Committee on External Economic Relations on 23 November 1995 on the World Trade Organization, at which WTO representatives gave the committee a progress report on the negotiations in this area,
- whereas the WTO Committee on Trade and Environment intends to lay down the basic principles for its recommendations to the Ministerial Conference on 28 May 1996,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (A4-0156/96),

1. Notes that the work programme of the WTO committee largely corresponds to Parliament's requests set out in its resolution of 24 March 1994 referred to above;
2. Regrets, however, that some of the requests contained in its resolutions of 22 January 1993 and 24 March 1994 referred to above have not been taken into account, e.g. the call for a WTO Environment Council, a moratorium on all decisions by the GATT/WTO panel pending the amendment of GATT Article XX, a fully worked-out programme of measures to be taken by the GATT Ministerial Conference to follow up the UNCED Conference and an increase in development aid as compensation for environmental clauses;
3. Urges the harmonious parallel development of both international trade objectives and effective environment protection measures notably by means of increased consultation, coordination and information-sharing between international trade and environmental agencies and instruments and between nations affected by such measures, with a view to developing greater mutual understanding and consideration of the respective interests and principles involved;
4. Insists that at the May 1996 stocktaking the Commission should pursue tangible and substantial results for the Singapore meeting beyond the simple reconfirmation of the existence of the WTO's Committee on Trade and the Environment (CTE) and its current work programme;

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 42, 15.2.1993, p. 246.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 114, 25.4.1994, p. 35.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 18, 23.1.1995, p. 61.

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5. Demands therefore that the May stocktaking achieve substantial progress for the Singapore meeting on:
- the acceptance of internationally agreed Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs),
 - increased transparency and openness in WTO procedures, including participation by NGOs and other relevant experts as provided for in Article V of the WTO charter,
 - non-mandatory and non-discriminatory eco-labelling schemes,
 - dispute settlement procedures which take account of the provisions of both trade and environment instruments,
 - improved cooperation and consultation between the WTO and international environmental agencies, notably on matters under review by the CTE, such as through a joint conference;
6. Recognizes, moreover, that developments have taken place in the areas of environmental taxation and the export of products banned on national territory which may lead to concrete proposals for the Ministerial Conference in December 1996;
7. Is concerned, however, that no rapprochement has as yet been achieved between standpoints on the remaining areas of negotiation; the Ministerial Conference must take clear decisions on the relationship between trade and the environment, particularly with regard to the relationship between industrialized countries and developing countries;
8. Recognizes that attention must be given to the interests (notably market access) of the developing nations, notably through the processes of transparency relating to notification and assessment and domestically prohibited goods, with a view to bringing greater understanding of and confidence in the developing machinery of international trade and environmental law;
9. Calls on all parties to the WTO Agreement to draw up the agenda for the 1996 WTO Conference in Singapore in a coordinated fashion to ensure that the implementation of environmental clauses in world trade does not give rise to a new outbreak of protectionism;
10. Calls for a new international framework for competition which, in particular, would oblige multinational companies engaged in international trade to behave in an environmentally acceptable fashion;
11. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has recently launched an initiative to integrate the MEAs into the WTO in such a way as to ensure that their protection rights and contractual provisions are fully preserved and declares itself in favour, in this connection, of revising and adding to GATT Article XX;
12. Takes the view that measures to restrict trade may also be taken against a country which does not belong to an MEA where that country contravenes the objectives of the MEA, thereby obtaining an unfair trade advantage which jeopardizes the implementation of the MEA in the territory of the parties to the agreement;
13. Declares its opposition, however, to unilateral import restrictions aimed at imposing domestic environmental protection standards on production processes and procedures in third countries where no European, North American or Japanese undertakings or subsidiaries are involved in such production and there is no corresponding MEA;
14. Draws attention, in this connection, to the great importance of provisions governing arbitration procedures and advocates that disputes concerning measures to restrict trade on the basis of an MEA should be dealt with under the WTO arbitration procedure, which should itself be revised to ensure environmental as well as trade expertise;
15. Calls on the Commission to ensure, during the Geneva negotiations, that any agreements within the framework of the WTO do not contradict EU environmental protection measures, particularly in the area of eco-labelling;
16. Considers it necessary for the WTO committee to study the underlying relationships between increasingly complex trade links and growing pollution, particularly from the point of view of the corresponding volume of traffic and energy consumption;

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17. Points out that the call for transparency with regard to national environmental provisions concerns not only the relations between the governments of WTO Member States but, pursuant to Article V of the WTO agreement, also includes non-governmental organizations, which are especially important in the area of environmental protection; reiterates, once again, its deep dissatisfaction at the lack of progress by the WTO in implementing Article V of the WTO agreement, including cooperation with parliaments;
18. Calls on the Commission to seek to ensure that non-governmental organizations are given the opportunity to bring their expertise to bear in the area of environmental protection and to ensure that their views are heard before the deliberations of the WTO Committee on Trade and Environment;
19. Calls on the Commission to inform it immediately and comprehensively, via its committee responsible for the WTO, on the outcome of the meeting of the WTO committee on 28 May 1996;
20. Calls on the Council to consult it on the conclusion of any WTO agreements on trade and the environment under the assent procedure;
21. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission and the WTO Secretariat.

12. Cooperation with countries of Central and Eastern Europe

A4-0084/96

Resolution on the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on industrial cooperation with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (COM(95)0071 – C4-0108/95)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament (COM(95)0071 – C4-0108/95),
 - having regard to its resolution of 30 November 1994 on the European Union's strategy to prepare for the accession of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (CEEC) ⁽¹⁾,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinions of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy and the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy (A4-0084/96),
- A. aware of the drastic upheavals Europe has been going through since the collapse of the Iron Curtain, which do not merely involve economic problems, but also present new challenges in terms of foreign and defence policy,
 - B. having regard to the express wish of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe to accede to the EU as soon as possible, and to the EU's declared readiness to create the necessary conditions for enlargement at the 1996 Intergovernmental Conference,
 - C. recognizing the achievements of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe during the process of political and economic reform, and the support provided by the EU under the Europe Agreements and the PHARE programme,
 - D. whereas, although economic growth in the CEEC is expected to display an upward trend and exceed the rate recorded in the EU, GDP per caput in these countries is, on average, 50% lower than that of the Community, implying a need to step up the drive towards real convergence and promote structural reforms to provide economic and social cohesion,
 - E. conscious that mutual cooperation is conditional on respect for human rights and the rights of minorities and on the stability of democracy and the rule of law in the CEEC,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 363, 19.12.1994, p. 16.

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1. Is aware that the opening up and eventual enlargement of the EU to include Central and Eastern Europe is changing the locational parameters for European industry, and calls on the Commission to ensure, in pursuing its strategy for growth and employment and its pre-accession strategy, that the process of economic restructuring they entail in both the CEEC and the EU Member States benefits the people of all the countries affected;
2. Regards closer cooperation between the industrial sectors of the EU and the CEEC, which must be based on the principle of reciprocity, as playing an important role in the process of economic reform and the preparation of the CEEC for their eventual membership of the Union;
3. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's intention of developing industrial cooperation as an integral part of the strategy to prepare the CEEC for accession to the EU, as acknowledged at the Essen European Council in December 1994 and set out in practical terms in the White Paper on the integration of the CEEC into the EU's internal market;
4. Points out that it lies within the Commission's responsibilities to comprehensively develop the framework conditions for successful rapprochement between the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and to pay particular attention to the problematic situation of the infrastructure of environmental services, which do not yet provide a basis for environmentally acceptable investment; supports, therefore, the Commission's proposals to insist on the modernization of industry in Central and Eastern European countries being subject to an environmental impact assessment in line with European standards as applied in the EU countries; calls on the Commission to promote, as a priority, the creation of the necessary legal and administrative framework and its application and enforcement in the CEEC;
5. Points out that cooperation between industrial undertakings and associations in the EU and the CEEC is primarily a task for industry itself, and that in this context the EU's main role is to create the necessary legal framework; welcomes, in this connection, EU activities to foster forms of cooperation such as the round table talks with industry as a means of overcoming national locational policies;
6. Regards the creation of a favourable business climate and the promotion of the reciprocal exchange of information between the industries of the EU and CEEC as an important area for action by the Commission, which must take account of the specific circumstances in individual CEEC and of the special relationships between various individual Member States and the CEEC;
7. Regards further privatization of previously state-owned undertakings, including those in the industrial sector, on the part of the CEEC as an important pre-condition for successful industrial cooperation, the main emphasis of which must be to achieve the transition to a modern, environmentally acceptable industrial system;
8. Is convinced that this will provide greater incentives for the influx of investment capital from the EU to the CEEC, which will form the basis for long-term cooperation between undertakings and will also provide the CEEC with the technical know-how required for the reform process;
9. Calls on both sides to cooperate closely in the harmonization of technical specifications, standards, quality controls, and testing and licensing procedures on the basis of the programme set out in the White Paper, to ensure that these do not create administrative obstacles to closer industrial cooperation and that social and environmental dumping are not permitted;
10. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's efforts to ensure that the rules of origin for CEEC products offer the possibility of cumulation for all the CEEC;
11. Stresses the importance of free access to EU markets for CEEC products, without which there would be no prospect of successful industrial cooperation;
12. Calls on the Commission to give greater support to promoting local trade and to exploit the advantages of direct cross-border cooperation to show how administrative reforms can be improved to strengthen local performance in these regions by establishing pilot schemes for local cooperation; in particular financial and legal barriers should be removed;

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13. Stresses the importance of comprehensive professional training and retraining for the success of the economic reforms in the CEEC and calls on the Commission to take due account of this point in its industrial cooperation activities by including the CEEC in the EU's education and research programmes;
 14. Hopes that exchange programmes to provide young people with vocational training and language skills will make a significant contribution to mutual industrial cooperation;
 15. Notes the importance of good relations between the social partners as the basis of a social market economy and therefore regards the development of legislation on employment contracts and collective agreements, and arrangements for its implementation in practice, as an important task for industrial cooperation;
 16. Is convinced that the CEEC will also benefit from closer industrial cooperation amongst themselves, and therefore suggests that the requisite preconditions be created in the context of the Central European Free Trade Area;
 17. Calls for special consideration to be given to industrial cooperation with the Baltic States, as they are in particular need of such cooperation in the aftermath of their independence and subsequent exclusion from the economic system of the former Soviet Union, and points out that such activities should promote closer cooperation throughout the Baltic region;
 18. Recalls that industrial cooperation must go hand-in-hand with an effective competition policy, to prevent such cooperation being abused to the detriment of competition; regards the Europe Agreements as an appropriate basis for close cooperation between both sides in this area;
 19. Considers that closer industrial cooperation with CIS states bordering on the CEEC would be desirable in the context of the partnership agreements and the TACIS programme, and should be coordinated with the EU's industrial cooperation with the CEEC; calls on the Commission, therefore, to give more thought to this point in future;
 20. Would like the EU's industrial cooperation with the CEEC to be coordinated with the initiatives of other Western industrialized nations and international organizations such as the UN, IMF, the World Bank and the OECD;
 21. Points out that the energy sector is the basis of the process of economic transformation and that existing traditional and centralised structures are not suited to the transformation and development of a diverse and environmentally sound industrial landscape in the CEEC, and that there is, therefore, an urgent need to transform the energy sector so that it can be used on an environmentally sustainable basis; in addition to the introduction of a new legal framework, swift investment is also required in this area;
 22. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.
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13. Agricultural statistics *

A4-0115/96

Proposal for a Council Decision on improving Community agricultural statistics (COM(95)0472 – C4-0526/95 – 95/0250(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION (*)	AMENDMENTS BY PARLIAMENT
(Amendment 1)	
<i>Recital 4(i)</i>	
(i) data remain adequately reliable at country level and adequately comparable between countries,	(i) data remain adequately reliable at country level and adequately comparable between the countries of the Union and at international level ,
(Amendment 18)	
<i>Recital 4(v)</i>	
(v) the Community financial resources facilitating this programme are used in the most efficient way;	(v) the Community financial resources facilitating this programme are used as an addition to other national resources and in the most efficient way;
(Amendment 2)	
<i>Recital 5a (new)</i>	
Whereas it is necessary to design a coherent system to monitor the agricultural sector at a time when it is undergoing sudden changes and the formulation of policies requires accurate and up-to-date information;	
(Amendment 3)	
<i>Recital 5b (new)</i>	
Whereas the possible enlargement of the European Union to include the countries of Central and Eastern Europe is giving rise to grave uncertainties which make it advisable to study the consequences of the application of the reform of the common agricultural policy with a view to taking sound decisions;	
(Amendment 4)	
<i>Recital 5c (new)</i>	
Whereas there has been an increase in the administrative data suitable for statistical use as a result of the reform of the common agricultural policy; whereas these administrative data contain information which is valuable in itself and as a contrast to other statistics;	

(*) OJ C 336, 14.12.1995, p. 6.

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BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 5)

Recital 5d (new)

Whereas the cost of gathering information deriving from payments under the EAGGF Guarantee Section is nil and its use would require making only slight changes to the computer programs used by the bodies managing payments in the Member States;

(Amendment 6)

Recital 6

Whereas a financial contribution from the Community to Member States is necessary *under carefully defined conditions* to facilitate the changes required;

Whereas a financial contribution from the Community to Member States is necessary **on the basis of their objective requirements** to facilitate the changes required;

(Amendment 7)

Recital 8

Whereas the collection and primary processing by Member States of agricultural statistics needed for Community purposes and the coordination of this work as well as the secondary processing, storage and dissemination of the data concerned by the services of the Commission, *governed where appropriate by legal acts of the Council, is fully in accord with the principles of subsidiarity;*

Whereas the collection and primary processing by Member States of agricultural statistics needed for Community purposes and the coordination of this work as well as the secondary processing, storage and dissemination of the data concerned by the services of the Commission **should not restrict the initiatives which may be undertaken by statistics bodies to the lowest common denominator;**

(Amendment 8)

Article 3

A first phase of improvements to Community agricultural statistics shall be carried out during the period 1995 to 1997. It shall be coordinated by the Commission through technical action plans as provided for in Article 4 hereto.

The process of adapting Community agricultural statistics shall start during the period 1996-1997. The Commission **shall coordinate this process** through technical action plans as provided for in Article 4 hereto. **After this period the Council may decide on a renewal in accordance with the Commission's proposals under Article 11.**

(Amendment 9)

Article 4(1)

1. A technical action plan for agricultural statistics *shall be decided by the Commission* each year in accordance with the procedure in Article 10. These plans shall cover the actions to be carried out by the Member States pursuant to Article 1 hereto. They shall use available resources in such a way as to make the greatest improvement to the cost-efficiency of Community agricultural statistics, in meeting the requirements of Community law, *informal agreements* and new information needs.

1. **On the basis of cooperation between Eurostat and the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics and the Statistical Programme Committee, the Commission shall decide on** a technical action plan for agricultural statistics each year, in accordance with the procedure in Article 10. These plans shall cover the actions to be carried out by the Member States pursuant to Article 1 hereto. They shall use available resources in such a way as to make the greatest improvement to the cost-efficiency of Community agricultural statistics, in meeting the requirements of Community law and new information needs.

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(Amendment 10)

Article 6(1) and (2)

1. The Community shall contribute to the costs of adapting national agricultural statistical systems or of preparatory work related to new or reinforced needs.

2. The amount of the contribution for Member States shall be decided each year by the Commission in conjunction with the technical action plan *and in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.*

1. The Community shall contribute to the costs of adapting national agricultural statistical systems or of preparatory work related to new or reinforced needs. **This contribution shall be essentially restricted to investment expenditure and may not exceed 50% of the total cost of each operation.**

2. The amount of the contribution for Member States shall be decided each year by the Commission in conjunction with the technical action plan **on the basis of the objective needs and the appropriations established by the budgetary authority.**

(Amendment 11)

Article 7

Where necessary to meet the purposes of this Decision, the Commission may approve a Member State's request to adapt one or more of the following features of the surveys listed in Annex 4: regions covered, territorial sub-divisions, definitions, survey methodology, survey date, list of characteristics and size classes, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.

Where necessary to meet the purposes of this Decision, the Commission may approve a Member State's request to adapt one or more of the following features of the surveys listed in Annex 4 **for the duration of a technical action plan**: regions covered, territorial sub-divisions, definitions, survey methodology, survey date, list of characteristics and size classes, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.

(Amendment 12)

Article 8

The Commission may add new items to Annex I (areas in which potential economies have been identified) or Annex II (areas where there are new or reinforced needs) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.

The Commission may add new items to Annex I (areas in which potential economies have been identified) or Annex II (areas where there are new or reinforced needs) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10. **It shall notify the European Parliament and the Council of any additions made.**

(Amendment 13)

Article 9(iv)

(iv) the Community financial contribution provided for in Article 6 hereto.

Deleted

(Amendment 14)

*Article 9a (new)***Article 9a**

Role of management bodies for EAGGF payments in the Member States

The bodies responsible for managing payments under the EAGGF Guarantee Section in each Member State shall:

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BY PARLIAMENT

- (a) carry out the statistical processing of information concerning payments under the EAGGF Guarantee Section in accordance with the specifications drawn up by the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics,
- (b) inform the statistics offices in the Member States of the aggregate results obtained from the statistical processing of information concerning payments under the EAGGF Guarantee Section.

(Amendment 15)

Annex II(8a) (new)

- 8a. Statistics on the application of the common agricultural policy.**

(Amendment 16)

Annex II(8b) (new)

- 8b. Comparative statistical data relating to agricultural income in the countries of the Union and its main trading partners.**

(Amendment 17)

Annex II(9)

9. Improved and new methods to allow Member States to meet more efficiently existing and new information needs, e.g. light surveys, *administrative data*, panels, remote sensing.

9. Improved and new methods to allow Member States to meet more efficiently existing and new information needs, e.g. light surveys, panels, remote sensing.

In order to meet the new needs arising from the reform of the common agricultural policy, there will be systematic statistical processing of administrative data deriving from payments under the EAGGF.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Decision on improving Community agricultural statistics (COM(95)0472 – C4-0526/95 – 95/0250(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0472 – 95/0250(CNS) ⁽¹⁾,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EC Treaty (C4-0526/95),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (A4-0115/96),

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 336, 14.12.1995, p. 6.

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1. Approves the Commission proposal, subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

14. Balanced participation of women and men in decision-taking *

A4-0149/96

Proposal for a Council Recommendation on the balanced participation of women and men in decision-making (COM(95)0593 – C4-0081/96 – 95/0308(CNS))

The proposal was approved with the following amendments:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION

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BY PARLIAMENT

(Amendment 1)

Recital 7

Whereas the Declaration and the Action Platform of the Fourth World Conference on Women stressed the need to ensure that responsibilities, powers and rights are shared equally, and that the Member States are fully involved in the implementation of the platform for action;

Whereas the Declaration and the Action Platform of the Fourth World Conference on Women stressed the need to ensure that responsibilities, powers and rights are shared equally, and that the Member States are fully involved in the implementation of the platform for action; **whereas the Platform For Action must be regarded as a minimum to be built upon;**

(Amendment 2)

Recital 8

Whereas the underrepresentation of women in decision-making bodies is largely a result of the delay in women's attaining equal rights and of obstacles to their gaining economic independence;

Whereas the underrepresentation of women in decision-making bodies is largely a result of the delay in women's attaining equal rights and of obstacles to their gaining economic independence, **as well as of the difficulty of combining the pursuit of a career with family life;**

(Amendment 3)

Recital 9

Whereas women are still underrepresented in *such* bodies, be they public or private, political, administrative, economic, social or cultural;

Whereas women are still underrepresented in **decision-making** bodies, be they public or private, political, administrative, economic, social or cultural;

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(Amendment 4)

Recital 9a (new)

Whereas the European Union is a pioneer in the importance it attaches to the establishment of democracy based on equality and whereas it is particularly important, therefore, that it should encourage its Member States to achieve this;

(Amendment 5)

Recital 10

Whereas women account for over half the population and *balanced* participation of women and men in representation and administration of nations is *a* requirement for democracy;

Whereas women account for over half the population and **equal** participation of women and men in representation and administration of nations is **an essential** requirement for democracy **and for greater identification between Europe's citizens and the institutions that represent them;**

(Amendment 6)

Recital 10a (new)

Whereas equality is qualitative as well as quantitative, that is to say that full participation by women in decision-making bodies represents a fundamental, specific contribution to democracy;

(Amendment 7)

Recital 10b (new)

Whereas measures designed to achieve equal participation by women and men in the decision-making process in all sectors must go hand in hand with an awareness of both the particular obstacles which women encounter and the specific qualities they bring to society;

(Amendment 8)

Recital 11a (new)

Whereas the aim of improving women's participation in the decision-making process cannot be divorced from employment policy given the disadvantage to women of continuing segregation in the labour market and the increasing casualization of female labour;

(Amendment 9)

Recital 11b (new)

Whereas segregation exists also in decision-making itself insofar as women who reach decision-making positions are usually found in areas typically considered women's domains;

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(Amendment 10)

Recital 11c (new)

Whereas measures aimed at achieving equal participation of women and men in the decision-making process in all sectors must go hand in hand with the goal of mainstreaming a gender perspective into all Community policies;

(Amendment 11)

Recital 11d (new)

Whereas supporting and developing female entrepreneurship and giving women greater access to the professions may be one way of reducing professional segregation and, thereby, promoting greater participation by women in the decision-making process;

(Amendment 12)

Recital 12

Whereas a balanced participation of men and women *in decision-making* is likely to give rise to different ideas, values and behaviour which will result in *more* justice and equality in the world for both men and women;

Whereas a balanced participation of men and women **in the decision-making process** is likely to give rise to different ideas, values and behaviour which will result in justice and equality in the world for both men and women;

(Amendment 13)

Recital 13

Whereas the Member States, the social partners, political parties and organisations, NGOs and the media have a key role to play in creating a society *where public and private, economic, political and domestic responsibilities are shared equally by women and men;*

Whereas the Member States, the social partners, political parties and organizations, NGOs and the media have a key role to play in creating a society **in which men and women assume an equal share of responsibilities in the public and private domains and in economic, political and family life (including child care and the non-institutional care of the sick and elderly); whereas this can be achieved through a new gender contract involving structural and attitudinal changes by all actors involved;**

(Amendment 14)

Recital 14

Whereas, in conformity with the principle of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 3B of the Treaty establishing the European Community, the aim of the present Recommendation — the balanced participation of women and men in decision-making — can be pursued more effectively by the exchange of information and examples of good practice within a common framework for all Member States; it is therefore

Whereas, in conformity with the principle of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 3b of the Treaty establishing the European Community, the aim of the present Recommendation — the balanced participation of women and men in decision-making — can be pursued more effectively by the exchange of information and examples of good practice within a common framework for all Member States; it is therefore

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appropriate to propose, at Community level, guidelines to promote *a balanced representation of* women and men in decision-making bodies; whereas the present recommendation is limited to the minimum necessary to obtain this objective and does not exceed what is necessary;

(Amendment 15)

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appropriate to propose, at Community level, guidelines to promote **balanced participation by** women and men in decision-making bodies **with a view to achieving equality between women and men**; whereas the present recommendation is limited to the minimum necessary to obtain this objective and does not exceed what is necessary;

Whereas the governments of the Member States pledged in the Platform for Action in Peking (paragraph 190d) 'to review the differential impact of electoral systems on the political representation of women in elected bodies and consider, where appropriate, the adjustment or reform of those systems';

(Amendment 16)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 1

1. Adopt a comprehensive and integrated strategy designed to promote *balanced representation of* women and men *in places of power, influence and decision, and develop or introduce suitable legislative or regulatory measures or incentives* to achieve this.

1. Adopt a comprehensive and integrated strategy designed to promote **balanced participation by** women and men **in the decision-making process, including balanced participation by men and women at all levels of political, economic and cultural life and the assumption of positions of power, decision, influence and responsibility. To develop and enact legislative and/or regulatory measures or introduce incentive measures in order** to achieve this, **including positive measures for the benefit of women.**

(Amendment 17)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 2(a)

a) *Highlight in school textbooks and curricula and in education and training at all levels the role and the contribution of women in society and stress the importance of sharing both public and private responsibilities between women and men,*

a) **Ensure that** education and training at all levels — **in curricula, school textbooks and the classroom — prepare for and encourage an equal** sharing between women and men of both public and **domestic** responsibilities, **including child care and the non-institutionalized care of the elderly and sick, for example through the use of gender-sensitive materials, courses and teaching methods, in order to avoid any stereotyping of gender roles,**

(Amendment 18)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 2(b)

b) Take suitable steps *so that* the image of women and men in the media and advertising *neither reinforces nor consolidates* unjustified stereotyping of men's and women's responsibilities,

b) Take suitable steps **to counteract and change** unjustified stereotyping of men's and women's responsibilities **and** the image of women and men **presented by** the media and advertising,

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(Amendment 19)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 2(c)

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| <p>c) Devise, encourage and propagate public campaigns <i>to alert public opinion</i> to the usefulness and advantages for society as a whole of balanced participation by women and men in decision-making,</p> | <p>c) Devise, encourage and propagate public campaigns targeted at men and women to raise awareness of the usefulness and advantages for society as a whole of balanced participation by women and men in decision-making, including inter alia campaigns run in conjunction with elections. Ensure proper evaluation of these campaigns to guarantee their effectiveness,</p> |
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(Amendment 20)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 2(d)

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| <p>d) Alert the social partners, political parties and groups, associations and NGOs and the media to the importance of a balance between women and men in decision-making bodies, and encourage them to develop equal opportunities plans with measures to ease access to decision-making for women.</p> | <p>d) Alert the social partners, political parties and groups, associations and NGOs and the media to the importance of a balance between women and men in decision-making bodies, and encourage them to develop equal opportunities plans as part of a strategy of mainstreaming with measures to ease access to decision-making for women, by means, among other things, of positive action in favour of women.</p> |
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(Amendment 21)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 3(a)

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| <p>a) Develop or promote the production and publication of statistics illustrating how men and women are represented in decision making circles in general and in political and administrative domains, public councils and committees, administrative and management boards at national, regional and local level and in the economy and social and cultural life in particular,</p> | <p>a) Develop or promote the production and publication of statistics on a regular basis illustrating how men and women are represented in decision making circles in general and in political and administrative domains, public councils and committees, administrative and management boards at national, regional and local level and in the economy and social and cultural life in particular,</p> |
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(Amendment 22)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 3(b)

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| <p>b) <i>Support, develop and encourage</i> quantitative and qualitative studies on women and men <i>in decision-making and especially</i> on the legal, social or cultural obstacles <i>to decision-making for persons of either sex</i>, on ideas and concepts which are likely to enhance the concept of a democratic partnership between women and men and on strategies to bring about equality in decision-making,</p> | <p>b) Encourage and develop quantitative and qualitative studies on women and men in the decision-making process. Lay particular stress on studies of the legal, social and/or cultural obstacles standing in the way of access to decision-making positions, on the ideas and concepts which are likely to enhance the concept of a democratic partnership between women and men and on strategies to bring about equality in decision-making,</p> |
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(Amendment 24)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(a)

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| a) <i>Promote a better</i> balance between women and men at all levels of government, | a) Introduce measures to bring about a balance between women and men at all levels of government, |
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(Amendment 25)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(b)

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| b) Introduce or pursue active measures, such as mentorship activities and target figures, to promote <i>a balance between women and men in</i> political representation at national, regional and local level, including advisory bodies which contribute to public decision-making. Particular attention should be paid to the promotion of a balanced composition in committees, commissions and working groups at national as well as European level, | b) Introduce or pursue active measures such as mentorship activities and target figures with timetables and effective monitoring of these targets , to promote women's access to political representation with a view to achieving equal representation of women and men at national, regional and local level, including advisory bodies which contribute to public decision-making, and ensure that all such measures are monitored, documented and evaluated . Particular attention should be paid to the promotion of a balanced composition in committees, commissions and working groups at national as well as European level, |
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(Amendment 26)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(ba) (new)

- ba) **Review the differential impact of electoral systems on the political representation of women in elected bodies and consider, where appropriate, the adjustment or reform of these systems,**

(Amendment 27)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(c)

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| c) Implement or develop equal opportunities plans for the public sector incorporating the concept of balanced participation in decision-making, and ensure, when recruitment competitions take place, that women and men are, <i>as far as possible</i> , represented equally in the committees responsible for preparing competitions and <i>in</i> the selection boards, | c) Implement or develop equal opportunities plans for the public sector incorporating the concept of balanced participation in decision making, and ensure, when recruitment competitions take place, that women and men are represented equally in the committees responsible for preparing competitions and on the selection boards, |
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(Amendment 28)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(ca) (new)

- ca) **Appoint equality ombudspersons to oversee the activities set out in paragraphs 4(b) and 4(c) and the implementation of equal opportunities in legislation in general, and to serve as a point of contact so that women may be better informed on their rights,**

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(Amendment 29)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(d)

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| d) Encourage the private sector to increase the presence of women at all levels of decision-making, notably by the adoption, or within the framework, of equality plans or positive action programmes, | d) Encourage the private sector to increase the presence of women at all levels of decision-making, notably by the adoption, or within the framework, of equality plans or positive action programmes, for example by taking account of companies that endeavour to improve the position of women in tendering for public contracts, |
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(Amendment 30)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(da) (new)

- da) Provide funding programmes for the setting up of equality plans in the private sector and their integration into overall company personnel policy,**

(Amendment 31)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(db) (new)

- db) Provide for programmes and measures to promote female entrepreneurship and give women greater access to the professions,**

(Amendment 32)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(e)

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| e) Encourage press, radio and television organisations to adopt measures to promote <i>balanced</i> participation by women and men in production, management and decision-making bodies, | e) Encourage press, radio and television organisations to adopt measures to promote equal participation by women and men in production, management and decision-making bodies, as a means of influencing programme content and promoting positive images of women's role in society, |
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(Amendment 33)

Recommends that the Member States, Paragraph 4(ea) (new)

- ea) Encourage equality for women and men in access to, and the exercise of, judicial functions at every level and in every type of court, whether local, regional, national or European,**

(Amendment 34)

Calls on the Commission, Paragraph 2a (new)

- 2a. to review the differential impact of electoral systems on the political representation of women in elected bodies and consider, where appropriate, the adjustment or reform of those systems,**

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(Amendment 35)

Calls on the Commission, Paragraph 3

3. to submit a report to the Council, within *three* years of adoption of this Recommendation, on progress achieved in implementing it on the basis of information provided by the Member States.

3. to submit a report to the **European Parliament and the Council**, within **two** years of adoption of this Recommendation **and every two years subsequently**, on progress achieved in implementing it on the basis of information provided by the Member States.

(Amendment 36)

Calls on the Commission, Paragraph 3a (new)

3a. to propose measures for the Institutions of the Union to set a good example: to initiate an evaluation of how the equality goals so far have been achieved within the Institutions of the Union and to create plans and goals for a balanced participation between men and women in the decision-making process.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Recommendation on the balanced participation of women and men in decision-making (COM(95)0593 – C4-0081/96 – 95/0308(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council, COM(95)0593 – 95/0308(CNS),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EC Treaty (C4-0081/96),
- having regard to Rule 58 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Women's Rights and the opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (A4-0149/96),

1. Approves the Commission proposal subject to Parliament's amendments;
2. Calls on the Commission to amend its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 189a(2) of the EC Treaty;
3. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
4. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to make substantial modifications to the Commission proposal;
5. Instructs its President to forward this opinion to the Council and Commission.

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15. Trade with Cuba, Iran and Libya

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Resolution on the obligations of the United States under GATT 1994 and GATS

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on US trade legislation and, in particular, the so-called Toricelli Act,
 - A. having regard to the 'Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (Libertad) Act' of 1996 and the draft 'Iran Oil Sanctions Act' of 1996, which may also be implemented with regard to Libya,
 - B. concerned that this law and bill contain a number of provisions which are intended to extend US law unilaterally to companies from third countries, and will no doubt have this effect,
 - C. whereas these measures run seriously counter to the economic and commercial interests of the EU and its Member States,
 - D. whereas these measures are in breach of the international agreements signed in the context of GATT and the WTO,
 - E. having regard to the need for a more intensive political dialogue in the spirit — and on the basis — of the Transatlantic Declaration of Madrid, with a view to settling possible differences concerning relations with countries such as Cuba, Iran and Libya,
1. Expresses its emphatic support for the Commission and the Council in their rejection of the extraterritorial aspects of current US trade legislation, in the interests both of the existing multilateral trade system and EU companies;
 2. Welcomes, therefore, the call made by the Council and Commission for formal consultations with the USA in accordance with the 'Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes and GATT/GATS Rules';
 3. Condemns the Helms-Burton Act and all the unilateral measures adopted by the US against world free trade, whose extraterritorial effects are contrary to the economic and commercial interests of the EU and the Member States;
 4. Calls on the United States Congress and Administration to do everything within their power to respect — and further develop — the multilateral trade system within the framework of the WTO;
 5. Calls on the Commission to propose a Regulation imposing a ban on compliance with such measures, i.e. an absolute or conditional ban on compliance with the requirements of such an overtly extraterritorial law which serves to prevent it from having any impact prejudicial to the common commercial policy;
 6. Calls on the Council and Commission to pursue — and deepen — the dialogue with the USA in accordance with the Transatlantic Declaration, not least with regard to relations with countries such as Cuba, Iran and Libya, and to consider joint actions in accordance with Title V of the Treaty on European Union;
 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Administration and Congress of the United States of America.
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The following signed:

d'Aboville, Adam, Aelvoet, Ahern, Ainardi, Alber, Amadeo, Anastassopoulos, d'Ancona, Andrews, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Aparicio Sánchez, Apolinário, Arias Cañete, Baldarelli, Baldi, Bardong, Barthet-Mayer, Belleré, Bennasar Tous, Berend, Berthu, Bianco, Blak, Blokland, Blot, Bösch, Boogerd-Quaak, Botz, Bourlanges, de Brémond d'Ars, Breyer, Brinkhorst, Cabezón Alonso, Camisón Asensio, Cars, Casini Carlo, Castagnède, Chesa, Christodoulou, Cohn-Bendit, Colajanni, Collins Kenneth D., Colombo Svevo, Crampton, Crepaz, Cunha, Daskalaki, David, De Coene, De Esteban Martin, Dell'Alba, De Melo, Deprez, Desama, de Vries, van Dijk, Dillen, Dührkop Dührkop, Dupuis, Eisma, Elchlepp, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Fabre-Aubrespy, Falconer, Féret, Ferrer, Ferri, Fitzsimons, Fontaine, Formentini, Fourçans, Fraga Estévez, Frutos Gama, Funk, Gahrton, Galeote Quecedo, García Arias, García-Margallo y Marfil, Garriga Polledo, Gebhardt, Gillis, Girão Pereira, Glase, Goerens, Gomolka, González Álvarez, González Triviño, Graenitz, Graziani, Green, Gröner, Grosch, Guinebertière, Gutiérrez Díaz, von Habsburg, Hänsch, Hallam, Happart, Hardstaff, Hatzidakis, Haug, Hawlicek, Heinisch, Herman, Hermange, Hindley, Holm, Hory, Howitt, Hughes, Hyland, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Jové Peres, Jung, Junker, Katiforis, Kellett-Bowman, Keppelhoff-Wiechert, Kerr, Killilea, Kindermann, Kittelmann, Klaß, Koch, König, Kofoed, Konrad, Krehl, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, Kuhne, Lage, Lalumière, La Malfa, Lambrias, Lang Carl, Langen, Langenhagen, Lannoye, Larive, Laurila, Lenz, Lindqvist, Linser, Lukas, Lulling, Macartney, McCartin, McKenna, McNally, Malerba, Marinucci, Marra, Marset Campos, Martens, Martin David W., Martinez, Medina Ortega, Méndez de Vigo, Menrad, Mezzaroma, Miller, Miranda, Miranda de Lage, Mohamed Ali, Mombaur, Moniz, Morris, Mosiek-Urbahn, Mulder, Musumeci, Nassauer, Newman, Nordmann, Novo, Nußbaumer, Oddy, Oostlander, Papakyriazis, Papayannakis, Pasty, Pelttari, Perry, Peter, Pettinari, Pex, Piecyk, Piquet, Poettering, Posselt, Puerta, Rapkay, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Ribeiro, Ripa di Meana, Rosado Fernandes, de Rose, Roth, Rothley, Rübzig, Rusanen, Ryyänen, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Samland, Sandbæk, Santini, Schäfer, Schlechter, Schleicher, Schmidbauer, Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schwaiger, Sindal, Sisó Cruellas, Skinner, Smith, Soltwedel-Schäfer, Sonneveld, Sornosa Martínez, Souchet, Stenmarck, Striby, Sturdy, Tajani, Tannert, Tatarella, Taubira-Delannon, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Tomlinson, Torres Marques, Trakatellis, Trautmann, Truscott, Vallvé, Valverde López, Vanhecke, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vaz da Silva, Vecchi, Vieira, de Villiers, Voggenhuber, van der Waal, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Weber, Weiler, Wibe, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek, Willockx, Wilson, von Wogau, Wolf, Zimmermann.

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Result of roll-call votes

(+) = For
 (−) = Against
 (O) = Abstention

*1. Baldarelli report A4-0134/96**Amendment 2*

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ARE: Lalumière, Taubira-Delannon**EDN:** Sandbæk**ELDR:** Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, De Melo, de Vries, Eisma, La Malfa, Larive, Lindqvist**GUE/NGL:** González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Pettinari, Piquet, Sornosa Martínez**PSE:** Adam, d'Ancona, Baldarelli, Botz, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Crepaz, De Coene, Donnelly Alan John, Dührkop Dührkop, Elchlepp, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Graenitz, Hallam, Hardstaff, Haug, Hawlicek, Howitt, Imbeni, Jöns, Katiforis, Kindermann, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, McNally, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Newman, Papakyriazis, Peter, Rapkay, Samland, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Sindal, Skinner, Tannert, Torres Marques, Truscott, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Wibe, Willockx, Zimmermann**UPE:** d'Aboville, Chesa, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Tajani, Vieira

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, van der Waal**ELDR:** Cunha, Kofoed, Mulder, Nordmann, Peltari, Rynänen, Vallvé, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek**NI:** Dillen, Jung, Lang Carl, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke**PPE:** Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, de Bremond d'Ars, Camisón Asensio, Casini Carlo, Colombo Svevo, Deprez, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Kellett-Bowman, Kittelmann, Klauf, Koch, König, Lambrias, Langen, Laurila, Lenz, McCartin, Malangré, Martens, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Mosiek-Urbahn, Nassauer, Pex, Poettering, Posselt, Reding, Rübige, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stenmarck, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Toivonen, Trakatellis, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, von Wogau**PSE:** Aparicio Sanchez, Izquierdo Rojo**V:** Aelvoet, Ahern, Breyer, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Soltwedel-Schäfer

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ARE: Macartney**PPE:** Graziani**PSE:** Crampton, González Triviño*2. Nordmann report A4-0122/96**Amendment 48*

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ARE: Barthes-Mayer, Castagnède, Dupuis, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Taubira-Delannon**GUE/NGL:** Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Maset Campos, Piquet, Sornosa Martínez

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PSE: Smith

UPE: Daskalaki, Guinebertière

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Cohn-Bendit, van Dijk, Gahrton, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Soltwedel-Schäfer

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, Sandbæk, van der Waal

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, Cunha, De Melo, de Vries, Kofoed, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Mulder, Nordmann, Peltari, Ryyänen, Vallvé, Vaz Da Silva, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Pettinari

NI: Dillen, Jung, Lang Carl, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Bianco, de Bremond d' Ars, Camisón Asensio, Casini Carlo, Colombo Svevo, Deprez, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Kellett-Bowman, Kittelmann, Klaß, Koch, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, McCartin, Malangré, Martens, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Mosiek-Urbahn, Nassauer, Oostlander, Pex, Poettering, Posselt, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stenmarck, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Trakatellis, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, von Wogau

PSE: Adam, d'Ancona, Baldarelli, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Colajanni, Crampton, Crepez, David, De Coene, Dührkop Dührkop, Elchlepp, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Graenitz, Gröner, Hallam, Hardstaff, Haug, Hawlicek, Hindley, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Krehl, Kuhn, McNally, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Newman, Oddy, Peter, Rapkay, Samland, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Sindal, Skinner, Tannert, Truscott, Vecchi, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Zimmermann

UPE: Chesa, Girão Pereira, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Vieira

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GUE/NGL: Ribeiro

UPE: d'Aboville

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EDN: Berthu, Blokland, Fabre-Aubrespy, van der Waal

ELDR: Cunha

NI: Dillen, Jung, Lang Carl, Linser, Lukas, Martinez, Nußbaumer, Vanhecke

PPE: Alber, Añoveros Trias de Bes, Arias Cañete, Bardong, Bennasar Tous, Bianco, de Bremond d' Ars, Camisón Asensio, Casini Carlo, Colombo Svevo, Deprez, Escudero, Estevan Bolea, Fabra Vallés, Ferrer, Fontaine, Fourçans, Fraga Estevez, Funk, Galeote Quecedo, Garriga Polledo, Gillis, Glase, Gomolka, Graziani, Habsburg, Hatzidakis, Heinisch, Herman, Kellett-Bowman, Kittelmann, Klaß, Koch, König, Lambrias, Langen, Langenhagen, Laurila, Lenz, McCartin, Malangré, Martens, Mendez de Vigo, Menrad, Mombaur, Mosiek-Urbahn, Nassauer, Oostlander, Pex, Poettering, Posselt, Reding, Redondo Jiménez, Rübig, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Schröder, Schwaiger, Sisó Cruellas, Sonneveld, Stenmarck, Sturdy, Theato, Thyssen, Tillich, Tindemans, Trakatellis, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, von Wogau

UPE: d'Aboville, Chesa, Girão Pereira, Guinebertière, Hermange, Malerba, Mezzaroma, Pasty, Rosado Fernandes, Vieira

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ARE: Barthet-Mayer, Castagnède, Dell'Alba, Dupuis, Hory, Lalumière, Macartney, Taubira-Delannon

EDN: Sandbæk

Friday, 24 May 1996

ELDR: Boogerd-Quaak, Brinkhorst, De Melo, de Vries, Kofoed, La Malfa, Lindqvist, Mulder, Nordmann, Pelttari, Rynnänen, Vallvé, Vaz Da Silva, Wiebenga, Wijsenbeek

GUE/NGL: González Álvarez, Gutiérrez Díaz, Jové Peres, Marset Campos, Pettinari, Piquet, Ribeiro, Sornosa Martínez

PSE: Adam, d'Ancona, Baldarelli, Bösch, Cabezón Alonso, Colajanni, Crampton, Crepaz, David, De Coene, Dührkop Dührkop, Elchlepp, Frutos Gama, Gebhardt, Graenitz, Gröner, Hallam, Hardstaff, Haug, Hawlicek, Hindley, Imbeni, Izquierdo Rojo, Jöns, Katiforis, Kerr, Kindermann, Krehl, Kuckelkorn, Kuhn, McNally, Martin David W., Medina Ortega, Miller, Miranda de Lage, Newman, Oddy, Peter, Rapkay, Samland, Schlechter, Schmidbauer, Sindal, Skinner, Smith, Tannert, Vecchi, Waidelich, Walter, Watts, Wibe, Willockx, Wilson, Zimmermann

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UPE: Daskalaki

V: Aelvoet, Ahern, Breyer, van Dijk, Gahrton, Holm, Kreissl-Dörfler, Lannoye, McKenna, Roth, Schoedter, Soltwedel-Schäfer
