

Tuesday 3 April 2001

(2002/C 21 E/02)

MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING

IN THE CHAIR: Mr Gerhard SCHMID

Vice-President

1. Opening of sitting

The sitting opened at 09.05.

2. Approval of Minutes of previous sitting

The following spoke:

- McNally who announced that she had been present the previous day but that her name was not on the attendance register;
- Van Velzen who referred to his statement concerning Vice-President Imbeni's participation in the interparliamentary meeting in Cuba and Mr Barón Crespo's remarks on the matter (*Item 11 of Minutes*), and pointed out that, according to a press release dated 21 March, Mr Imbeni had said that he had no intention of making a statement on respect for human rights in Cuba; he insisted that Mr Imbeni should make such a statement on behalf of Parliament based on the resolutions adopted by the latter on this subject;
- Seguro who complained, on behalf of the PSE Group, that this matter should again be raised without the person concerned being present (the President pointed out that the President of Parliament had indicated the previous day what action she intended to take on this matter; he therefore closed the discussion on this subject);
- Buitenweg on a technical matter.

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

3. Documents received

The President had received:

(a) *from a committee:*

- * Report on the proposal for a Council regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops (COM(2001) 87 – C5-0083/2001 – 2001/0043(CNS)) – Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
Rapporteur: Danielle Auroi
(A5-0117/2001)

(b) *from a Member, a written declaration for entry in the register (Rule 51):*

- Ribeiro e Castro, on an immediate ceasefire in Angola (No 4/2001).

4. Request for urgent procedure

The next item was the vote on the request for urgent procedure on the proposal for a Council regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops (COM(2001) 87 – C5-0083/2001 – 2001/0043(CNS)) * (AGRI had already adopted the Auroi report on this proposal – A5-0117/2001)).

Mr Graefe zu Baringdorf, chairman of the AGRI Committee, spoke.

The request for urgent procedure was approved.

The item would be added to the following day's agenda, Wednesday 4 April 2001.

The deadline for tabling amendments would be 10.00 the following day.