

Monday, 26 September 2005

In the light of the modifications that had been made to the text by the Council, the President had consulted the LIBE Committee, as the committee responsible, in accordance with Rule 66(2). By letter of 23 June 2005, the Chairman of that committee had informed the President that the modifications did not affect the substance of the text. The President announced that he would thus also sign that act on Wednesday.

9. Welcome to the Bulgarian and Romanian Observers

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed the Bulgarian and Romanian Observers, who had taken their seats in the Chamber.

A list of the names of the Bulgarian and Romanian Observers is published as an annex to these Minutes.

10. Order of business

The next item was the order of business.

The final draft agenda for the September II and October I sittings (PE 361.877/PDOJ) had been distributed and a number of changes had been proposed (Rule 132):

Sittings of 26.09.2005 to 29.09.2005

Monday

— no changes

Tuesday

— no changes

Wednesday

— no changes

Thursday

Debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law (Rule 115):

- request from the PPE-DE Group to replace the Item on Tunisia *Item 62 on the final draft agenda*) with a new item on minorities in Vojvodina.
- request from the PSE Group to replace the Item on Uzbekistan *Item 63 on the final draft agenda*) with a new item on Vojvodina.

The following spoke: Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, who pointed out that the PSE, PPE-DE and ALDE Groups had reached a consensus on the PSE Group's request, and Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, who withdrew his group's request.

Parliament approved the PSE Group's request.

Sittings of 12.10.2005 and 13.10.2005

— no changes

The order of business was thus established.