Tuesday 11 January 2005

5. Constitution for Europe (debate)

Report on the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe [2004/2129(INI)] — Committee on Constitutional Affairs.

Co-rapporteurs: Richard Corbett and Íñigo Méndez de Vigo (A6-0070/2004)

Richard Corbett (rapporteur) and Íñigo Méndez de Vigo (rapporteur) introduced the report.

The following spoke: Nicolas Schmit (President-in-Office of the Council) and Margot Wallström (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, Andrew Duff, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Monica Frassoni, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Francis Wurtz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Philippe de Villiers, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Brian Crowley, on behalf of the UEN Group, James Hugh Allister, Non-attached Member, Elmar Brok, member of the European Convention and draftsman of the opinion of the AFET Committee, Klaus Hänsch, member of the European Convention, Jo Leinen, chairman of the AFCO Committee, and Miguel Angel Martínez Martínez, draftsman of the opinion of the DEVE Committee.

IN THE CHAIR: António COSTA

Vice-President

The following spoke: Jorgo Chatzimarkakis (draftsman of the opinion of the INTA Committee), José Javier Pomés Ruiz (draftsman of the opinion of the CONT Committee), Jan Andersson (draftsman of the opinion of the EMPL Committee), Vasco Graça Moura (draftsman of the opinion of the ENVI Committee), Hannes Swoboda (draftsman of the opinion of the ITRE Committee), Carlos José Iturgaiz Angulo (draftsman of the opinion of the REGI Committee), Friedrich-Wilhelm Graefe zu Baringdorf (draftsman of the opinion of the AGRI Committee), Ian Hudghton (draftsman of the opinion of the PECH Committee), Maria Berger (draftsman of the opinion of the JURI Committee), Stefano Zappalà (draftsman of the opinion of the LIBE Committee), Timothy Kirkhope, Magda Kósáné Kovács, Bronisław Geremek, Johannes Voggenhuber, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Jens-Peter Bonde, Cristiana Muscardini, Andreas Mölzer, Markus Ferber, Miroslav Ouzký, Enrique Barón Crespo and Ignasi Guardans Cambó.

IN THE CHAIR: Miroslav OUZKÝ Vice-President

The following spoke: David Hammerstein Mintz, Ole Krarup, Nigel Farage, Konrad Szymański, Ryszard Czarnecki, Françoise Grossetête, Bernard Poignant, Marielle De Sarnez, Bernat Joan i Marí, Fausto Bertinotti, Bastiaan Belder, Rolandas Pavilionis, Jean-Marie Le Pen, Antonio Tajani, Genowefa Grabowska, Silvana Koch-Mehrin, Gérard Onesta, Miloslav Ransdorf, Georgios Karatzaferis, Mogens N.J. Camre, Peter Baco, József Szájer, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, Jules Maaten, Carl Schlyter, Esko Seppänen, Vladimír Železný, Alessandro Battilocchio and Jean-Luc Dehaene, Vice-Chairman of the European Convention.

The debate was suspended at that point for voting time.

It would resume at 15.00 (Minutes of 11.01.2005, Item 10).

IN THE CHAIR: Ingo FRIEDRICH

Vice-President

The following spoke: Edward McMillan-Scott (Chairman of the ad hoc delegation for the observation of the Palestinian elections), who briefly outlined the delegation's mission.

6. Voting time

Details of voting (amendments, separate and split votes, etc.) appear in Annex I to the Minutes.