

Tuesday 3 September 2002

(2003/C 272 E/02)

MINUTES**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING**

IN THE CHAIR: Mr IMBENI

*Vice-President***1. Opening of sitting**

The sitting opened at 09.00.

2. Statement by the President on the adoption of the Minutes

The President reminded the House that Rule 148 had been amended, and that consequently, as of that day, the Minutes of the previous sitting would be approved at the resumption of the sitting at 15.00. He also pointed out that the Minutes would be available from the distribution service as of 14.00, and would be distributed in the Chamber to all Members at 14.30.

Mr Posselt spoke in reply to the President's statement, having pointed out that he had been present at the previous day's sitting, but that his name was not on the attendance register; he asked that the Minutes be made available in the morning, thereby giving Members the opportunity to inspect them closely (the President suggested that he repeat his first remarks when the Minutes were approved later that day).

3. Debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law (motions for resolutions tabled)

Requests for a debate on breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law to be held pursuant to Rule 50 had been tabled for the following motions for resolutions:

I. EGYPT: THE CASE OF MR SAAD EDDIN IBRAHIM

- Wuori, Boumediene-Thiery and Piétrasanta, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the case of Saad Eddin Ibrahim (B5-0465/2002);
- Napolitano, Menéndez del Valle, Swoboda and Van den Berg, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the sentencing of Saad Eddin Ibrahim in Egypt (B5-0471/2002);
- Hugues Martin and Posselt, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the case of Saad Eddin Ibrahim (Egypt) (B5-0473/2002);
- Boudjenah, Herman Schmid, Seppänen and Caudron, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights in Egypt (B5-0480/2002);
- Van den Bos and Malmström, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on Egypt (B5-0484/2002).

II. NIGERIA: THE CASE OF MS AMINA LAWAL

- Frassoni, Maes, Lucas, Wuori and Isler Béguin, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the violation of human rights in Nigeria (B5-0466/2002);
- Gröner, Karamanou, Izquierdo Rojo, Valenciano Martínez-Orozco, Van Lancker and others, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the death sentence served on Amina Lawal in Nigeria (B5-0470/2002);
- Muscardini, on behalf of the UEN Group, on the case of Amina Lawal in Nigeria (B5-0472/2002);
- McCartin, Ferrer, Martens, Mauro, Maij-Weggen, Pack, Posselt and Smet, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the human rights situation in Nigeria (B5-0474/2002);
- Eriksson, Ainardi, Uca, Morgantini, Figueiredo, Frahm, Cossutta, Korakas and Seppänen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the violation of human rights in Nigeria (B5-0479/2002);
- Nicholson of Winterbourne, Van den Bos, Sanders-ten Holte, Ole Sørensen and Thors, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the violation of human rights in Nigeria (B5-0486/2002).

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III. HUMAN RIGHTS IN ZIMBABWE

- Van Orden, Deva, Parish, Foster, Banotti, Corrie, Tannock, Gahler, Korhola, Lehne, Majj-Weggen and Sacrédeus, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on Zimbabwe (B5-0464/2002)
- Maes, Isler Béguin, Lucas and Rod, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Zimbabwe (B5-0467/2002);
- Andrews, on behalf of the UEN Group, on Zimbabwe (B5-0468/2002);
- Kinnock, Junker, Sauquillo Pérez del Arco and Van den Berg, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the human rights situation in Zimbabwe (B5-0469/2002);
- Vinci, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on human rights in Zimbabwe (B5-0481/2002);
- Belder, on behalf of the EDD Group, on Zimbabwe (B5-0482/2002);
- Van den Bos, Mulder and Sanders-ten Holte, on behalf of the ELDR Group, on the human rights situation in Zimbabwe (B5-0485/2002);

Speaking time would be allocated pursuant to Rule 120.

4. Framework for the creation of the single European sky ***I – Single European sky: Air navigation services – Airspace Interoperability of European network ***I – Safety of third countries aircraft ***I (debate)

The next item was the joint debate on three reports, drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism:

- the Fava report on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council regulation laying down the framework for the creation of the single European sky (COM(2001) 123 – C5-0480/2001 – 2001/0060(COD)) (A5-0258/2002);
- the Sanders-ten Holte report on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council regulation on the provision of air navigation services in the single European sky (COM(2001) 564 – C5-0482/2001 – 2001/0235(COD)), the proposal for a European Parliament and Council regulation on the organisation and use of the airspace in the single European sky (COM(2001) 564 – C5-0483/2001 – 2001/0236(COD)), the proposal for a European Parliament and Council regulation on the interoperability of the European air traffic management network (COM(2001) 564 – C5-0484/2001 – 2001/0237(COD)) (A5-0266/2002);
- the Maes report on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council directive on the safety of third countries aircraft using Community airports (COM(2002) 8 – C5-0023/2002 – 2002/0014(COD)) (A5-0265/2002).

Mrs de Palacio, Vice-President of the Commission, introduced the Commission's proposals.

Mr Fava, Mrs Sanders-ten Holte and Mrs Maes introduced their reports.

The following spoke: Ripoll y Martínez de Bedoya, draftsman of the opinion of JURI committee, Ingo Schmitt, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Stockmann, on behalf of the PSE Group, Caveri, on behalf of the ELDR Group, Ainardi, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Collins, on behalf of the UEN Group, Van Dam, on behalf of the EDD Group, Berthu, Non-attached Member, Deva, Mastorakis, Pohjamo, Markov, Queiró, Esclopé, Foster, Wiersma, Cauquil, Titford, Cocilovo, Watts, Miranda, Rack, Poignant, Korakas, Lisi, De Rossa, Vatanen, Vairinhos, Jarzembowski, Savary, Ebner and de Palacio.

The President closed the debate.

Vote: Items 17-19