

Tuesday 13 November 2001

European Parliament decision adapting its Rules of Procedure to the provisions of European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 on public access to Parliament, Council and Commission documents (2001/2135(REG))

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the letter of 29 June 2001 from its President,
 - having regard to Article 255 of the EC Treaty, Articles 28(1) and 41(1) of the EU Treaty and Articles 42 and 52(2) of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union,
 - having regard to Rule 181 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs and the opinion of the Committee on Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs (A5-0349/2001),
1. Decides to amend its Rules of Procedure as indicated above;
 2. Decides to revoke the Bureau decisions of 10 July 1997 on public access to Parliament documents and of 17 April 1998 on fees to be paid for delivery of very large documents;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission, for information.

5. Amendment to the Rules of Procedure: Setting-up of interparliamentary delegations and joint parliamentary committees

A5-0346/2000

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

FORMER TEXT

NEW TEXT

Amendment 2

Rule 170, paragraph 3, subparagraph 2

The European Parliament shall appoint its representatives in accordance with Rule 168.

Deleted

Amendment 3

Rule 170, paragraph 5

5. The **composition** of European Parliament delegations to joint parliamentary committees shall **be established at the same time and under the same conditions as for standing committees**.

5. The **election of the Members** of European Parliament delegations to joint parliamentary committees **and the constitution of the bureaux of these delegations** shall **take place in accordance with the procedure laid down for interparliamentary delegations**.

European Parliament decision amending its Rules of Procedure as regards the setting-up of interparliamentary delegations and joint parliamentary committees (1999/2196(REG))

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the letter of 21 October 1999 from its President,
- having regard to Rules 180 and 181 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (A5-0346/2000),

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1. Decides to amend its Rules of Procedure as indicated above;
2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and Commission, for information.

6. Electronic communications ***I

A5-0374/2001

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council directive concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector (COM(2000) 385 – C5-0439/2000 – 2000/0189(COD))

The proposal was amended as follows:

TEXT PROPOSED
BY THE COMMISSION⁽¹⁾

AMENDMENTS
BY PARLIAMENT

Amendment 1

Recital 1a (new)

(1a) Articles 7 and 8 of the European Union Charter of Fundamental Rights, proclaimed in Nice on 7 December 2000, seek to guarantee respect for private life and communications, including personal data.

Amendment 2

Recital 5a (new)

(5a) Information that is part of a broadcasting service provided over a public communications network is intended for a potentially unlimited audience and does not constitute a communication within the meaning of this Directive. However, if it is possible to identify the individual subscriber or user receiving such information, for example with video-on-demand services, the information conveyed is covered within the meaning of a communication for the purposes of this Directive.

Amendment 3

Recital 8

(8) The Member States, providers and users concerned, together with the competent Community bodies, should cooperate in introducing and developing the relevant technologies where this is necessary to apply the guarantees provided for by this Directive **and taking particular account of the objectives of minimising the processing of personal data and of using anonymous or pseudonymous data where possible.**

(8) The Member States, providers and users concerned, together with the competent Community bodies, should **ensure that the processing of personal data is limited to a minimum and that anonymous or pseudonymous data are used wherever possible, and should** cooperate in introducing and developing the relevant technologies where this is necessary to apply the guarantees provided for by this Directive.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 365 E, 19.12.2000, p. 223.