Wednesday, 28 September 2005

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MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING

IN THE CHAIR: Josep BORRELL FONTELLES

President

1. Opening of sitting

The sitting opened at 9.05.

2. Transfers of appropriations

The Committee on Budgets had considered the Commission's proposal for transfer of appropriations DEC 27/2005 (C6-0231/2005 — SEC(2005)0923).

After noting the Council's opinion, the committee agreed — in accordance with Article 24(3) of the Financial Regulation of 25 June 2002 — to mobilise the emergency reserve for an amount of 70 million Euro and transfer it to budget line 23 02 01 of the 2005 budget, in order to finance rehabilitation and reconstruction assistance to the tsunami-affected countries.

3. Opening of negotiations with Turkey — Additional Protocol to the EEC-Turkey Association Agreement *** (debate)

Council and Commission statements: Opening of negotiations with Turkey

Recommendation on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and Turkey following the enlargement of the European Union (9617/2005 — COM(2005)0191 — C6-0194/2005 — 2005/0091(AVC)) — Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Rapporteur: Elmar Brok (A6-0241/2005)

Douglas Alexander (President-in-Office of the Council) and Olli Rehn (Member of the Commission) made the statements.

Elmar Brok introduced the recommendation.

The following spoke: Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group (with several off-microphone interruptions from Werner Langen), Emma Bonino, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Daniel Marc Cohn-Bendit, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Elmar Brok, who made a personal statement in response to Mr Cohn-Bendit's remarks, Philippe de Villiers, also on those remarks, Francis Wurtz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Roger Knapman, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Konrad Szymański, on behalf of the UEN Group, Philip Claeys, Non-attached Member, Camiel Eurlings, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Andrew Duff, Joost Lagendijk, Adamos Adamou, Bastiaan Belder, Roberta Angelilli, Jan Tadeusz Masiel, Ioannis Kasoulides, Hannes Swoboda, Marielle De Sarnez, Cem Özdemir, Vittorio Agnoletto and Georgios Karatzaferis.

IN THE CHAIR: Pierre MOSCOVICI

Vice-President

The following spoke: Sebastiano (Nello) Musumeci, Hans-Peter Martin, Renate Sommer, Véronique De Keyser, Silvana Koch-Mehrin, Mirosław Mariusz Piotrowski, Mogens N.J. Camre, Andreas Mölzer, Jacques Toubon, Michel Rocard, Karin Riis-Jørgensen, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Roger Helmer, Geoffrey Van Orden, Vural Öger, Marios Matsakis, Philippe de Villiers, Ville Itälä, Emine Bozkurt, Karin Resetarits, Françoise Grossetête, Stavros Lambrinidis, Giorgos Dimitrakopoulos, Panagiotis Beglitis, Ursula Stenzel, Libor Rouček, Zbigniew Zaleski, Nicola Zingaretti, György Schöpflin, Douglas Alexander and Olli Rehn.

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The following spoke: Bernd Posselt, who made a personal statement in response to Daniel Marc Cohn-Bendit's remarks, and Werner Langen, who made a personal statement in response to Martin Schulz's remarks.

Motions for resolutions to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 103(2):

- Daniel Marc Cohn-Bendit, Monica Frassoni, Joost Lagendijk and Cem Özdemir, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0484/2005),
- Andrew Duff, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0487/2005),
- Martin Schulz, Jan Marinus Wiersma and Hannes Swoboda, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0496/2005),
- Cristiana Muscardini, Anna Elzbieta Fotyga, Konrad Szymański and Inese Vaidere, on behalf of the UEN Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0498/2005),
- Francis Wurtz, André Brie, Adamos Adamou, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides, Feleknas Uca and Jonas Sjöstedt, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0502/2005),
- Elmar Brok, João de Deus Pinheiro and Camiel Eurlings, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the opening of negotiations with Turkey (B6-0505/2005).

The debate closed.

Vote: Minutes of 28.09.2005, Item 5.1 and Minutes of 28.09.2005, Item 5.2. (The sitting was suspended at 11.50 pending voting time and resumed at 12.05.)

IN THE CHAIR: Josep BORRELL FONTELLES

President

4. Welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation from the Mexican Congress — led by Fernando Margaín, Chairman of the Mexican Senate's Committee on Foreign Affairs — who had taken their seats in the official gallery.

5. Voting time

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

5.1. Additional Protocol to the EEC-Turkey Association Agreement *** (Rule 131) (vote)

Recommendation on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and Turkey following the enlargement of the European Union (9617/2005 - COM(2005)0191 - C6-0194/2005 - 2005/0091(AVC))— Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Rapporteur: Elmar Brok (A6-0241/2005).

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: Annex I, Item 1)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

The following spoke: Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, who requested that the vote be postponed under Rule 170(4), and Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the request.

Parliament approved the request by electronic vote (311 for, 285 against, 63 abstentions).