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KEYS TO SYMBOLS USED

*	Consultation procedure
***	Consent procedure
***I	Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading
***II	Ordinary legislative procedure: second reading
***III	Ordinary legislative procedure: third reading

(The type of procedure is determined by the legal basis proposed in the draft act.)

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

AFET	Committee on Foreign Affairs
DEVE	Committee on Development
INTA	Committee on International Trade
BUDG	Committee on Budgets
CONT	Committee on Budgetary Control
ECON	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
EMPL	Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
ENVI	Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety
ITRE	Committee on Industry, Research and Energy
IMCO	Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection
TRAN	Committee on Transport and Tourism
REGI	Committee on Regional Development
AGRI	Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
PECH	Committee on Fisheries
CULT	Committee on Culture and Education
JURI	Committee on Legal Affairs
LIBE	Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
AFCO	Committee on Constitutional Affairs
FEMM	Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality
PETI	Committee on Petitions
DROI	Subcommittee on Human Rights
SEDE	Subcommittee on Security and Defence

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR POLITICAL GROUPS

PPE	Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats)
S&D	Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament
ECR	European Conservatives and Reformists Group
ALDE	Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
GUE/NGL	Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left
Verts/ALE	Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance
EFDD	Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group
ENF	Europe of Nations and Freedom
NI	Non-attached Members

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TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2015

IN THE CHAIR: David-Maria SASSOLI

Vice-President

1. Opening of the sitting

The sitting opened at 8.30.

2. European single market for electronic communications ***II (debate)

Recommendation for second reading on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down measures concerning open internet access and amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services and Regulation (EU) No 531/2012 on roaming on public mobile communications networks within the Union [10788/2/2015 - C8-0294/2015- 2013/0309(COD)] - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. Rapporteur: Pilar del Castillo Vera (A8-0300/2015)

Pilar del Castillo Vera introduced the recommendation for second reading.

The following spoke: Andrus Ansip (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Krišjānis Kariņš, on behalf of the PPE Group, Patrizia Toia, on behalf of the S&D Group, Vicky Ford, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jens Rohde, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Marisa Matias, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Michel Reimon, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Dario Tamburrano, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Barbara Kappel, on behalf of the ENF Group, Henna Virkkunen, Petra Kammerevert, Evžen Tošenovský, Jens Rohde, Sabine Verheyen, the last two concerning the conduct of the debate, Kaja Kallas, Paloma López Bermejo, Julia Reda, Jens Rohde on the conduct of the debate (the President explained the blue-card procedure), Maria Grapini to put a blue-card question to Julia Reda, who replied to it, Roger Helmer, who also replied to a blue-card question by Vicky Ford, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Paul Rübig, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, Marlene Mizzi, Ashley Fox, who also replied to a blue-card question by István Ujhelyi, Juan Carlos Girauta Vidal, João Ferreira, Marco Zullo, Gilles Lebreton, Róza Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein, Dan Nica, Hans-Olaf Henkel, Sabine Verheyen, Evelyne Gebhardt, Bendt Bendtsen, Edouard Martin, Gunnar Hökmark, Nicola Danti and Theresa Griffin.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Lefteris Christoforou, Marc Tarabella, Notis Marias, Ivan Jakovčić, Igor Šoltes, Roberta Metsola, Silvia Costa and Pascal Arimont.

The following spoke: Andrus Ansip and Pilar del Castillo Vera.

The debate closed.

Vote: 27 October 2015.

3. Conclusions of the European Council meeting of 15 October 2015, in particular the financing of international funds, and of the Leaders' meeting on the Western Balkans route of 25 October 2015, and preparation of the Valletta summit of 11 and 12 November 2015 (debate)

Council and Commission statements: Conclusions of the European Council meeting of 15 October 2015, in particular the financing of international funds, and of the Leaders' meeting on the Western Balkans route of 25 October 2015, and preparation of the Valletta summit of 11 and 12 November 2015 (2015/2841(RSP))

The President made a brief statement to open the debate.

Donald Tusk (President of the European Council) and Jean-Claude Juncker (President of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: Manfred Weber, on behalf of the PPE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by István Ujhelyi, Gianni Pittella, on behalf of the S&D Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Lefteris Christoforou, Syed Kamall, on behalf of the ECR Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by David Coburn, Guy Verhofstadt, on behalf of the ALDE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Bill Etheridge, Pablo Iglesias, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Rebecca Harms, on behalf of the Věts/ALE Group, Nigel Farage, on behalf of the EFDD Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Marju Lauristin, Marcel de Graaff, on behalf of the ENF Group, Diane Dodds, non-attached Member, and Herbert Reul.

IN THE CHAIR: Ioan Mircea PAȘCU
Vice-President

The following spoke: Tanja Fajon, Ryszard Antoni Legutko, Gérard Deprez, Marina Albiol Guzmán, who also replied to a blue-card question by Alojz Peterle, Ska Keller, Rolandas Paksas, Steeve Briois, Georgios Epitideios, Andrzej Grzyb, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, Knut Fleckenstein, Notis Marias, Ivo Vajgl, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Ulrike Lunacek, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Gerolf Annemans, Konstantinos Papadakis, Alain Lamassoure, Birgit Sippel, Helga Stevens, Inês Cristina Zuber, Eva Joly, Petr Mach, Harald Vilimsky, Esteban González Pons, Josef Weidenholzer, Branislav Škripek, Sofia Sakorafa, Janice Atkinson, Elisabetta Gardini, Péter Niedermüller, Kinga Gál, Iratxe García Pérez, Dubravka Šuica, Claude Moraes, Manolis Kefalogiannis, Pervenche Berès, Esther de Lange, Miriam Dalli, Paulo Rangel, Marlene Mizzi, Glenis Willmott, Kati Piri, Patrizia Toia, Tonino Picula and Miltiadis Kyrkos.

IN THE CHAIR: Martin SCHULZ
President

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Elissavet Vozemberg, Ana Gomes, Jozo Radoš, Takis Hadjigeorgiou, Ernest Maragall, Franz Obermayr, Eduard Kukan and Monika Flašíková Beňová.

The following spoke: Dimitris Avramopoulos (Member of the Commission) and Donald Tusk.

The debate closed.

4. Emission measurements in the automotive sector (motions for resolutions tabled)

Question for oral answer (O-000113/2015) by Giovanni La Via, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, Vicky Ford, on behalf of the IMCO Committee, Jerzy Buzek, on behalf of the ITRE Committee, Michael Cramer, on behalf of the TRAN Committee, to the Commission: Emissions measurements in the automotive sector (2015/2865(RSP)) (B8-0764/2015)

The debate had been held on 6 October 2015 (minutes of 6.10.2015, item 11).

Motions for resolutions to wind up the debate tabled under Rule 128(5):

- Bas Eickhout, Karima Delli, Benedek Jávor, Jean Lambert, Ernest Maragall, Jordi Sebastià, Molly Scott Cato, Keith Taylor and Claude Turmes, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1075/2015);
- Françoise Grossetête, Andreas Schwab, Peter Liese, Krišjānis Kariņš, Wim van de Camp, Pablo Zalba Bidegain and Burkhard Balz, on behalf of the PPE Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1076/2015);
- Daniel Dalton, Julie Girling, Roberts Zīle, Vicky Ford, Evžen Tošenovský and Jørn Dohrmann, on behalf of the ECR Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1077/2015);
- Kathleen Van Brempt, Matthias Groote, Evelyne Gebhardt, Dan Nica and Ismail Ertug, on behalf of the S&D Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1078/2015)
- Cornelia Ernst, Merja Kyllönen, Malin Björk, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Luke Ming Flanagan, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Takis Hadjigeorgiou, Kateřina Konečná, Stelios Kouloglou, Kostadinka Kuneva, Martina Michels, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Sofia Sakorafa and Dennis de Jong, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1079/2015);
- Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy, Dita Charanzová, Gesine Meissner and Fredrick Federley, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on emission measurements in the automotive sector 2015/2865(RSP) (B8-1080/2015).

Vote: 27 October 2015.

IN THE CHAIR: Ildikó GÁLL-PELCZ
Vice-President

The following spoke: William (The Earl of) Dartmouth.

5. Voting time

Detailed voting results (amendments, separate and split votes, etc.) appear in the *Results of Votes* annex to the minutes.

The results of roll-call votes are available in electronic form only, as an annex to the minutes, and can be accessed via Europarl.

5.1. Common Agricultural Policy: repealing obsolete acts *I (Rule 150) (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Directive 76/621/EEC relating to the fixing of the maximum level of erucic acid in oils and fats and Council Regulation (EC) No 320/2006 establishing a temporary scheme for the restructuring of the sugar industry [COM(2015)0174 - C8-0101/2015- 2015/0090(COD)] - Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development. Rapporteur: Czesław Adam Siekierski (A8-0255/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 1)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL, AMENDMENT and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (P8_TA(2015)0360)

5.2. EU-Switzerland agreement on the automatic exchange of financial account information * (Rule 150) (vote)

Report on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Amending Protocol to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation providing for measures equivalent to those laid down in Council Directive 2003/48/EC on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments [08266/2015 - C8-0169/2015 - 2015/0076(NLE)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Jeppe Kofod (A8-0271/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 2)

DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION, AMENDMENTS and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (P8_TA(2015)0361)

Parliament consented to the conclusion of the agreement.

5.3. Taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments: repealing the Savings Directive * (Rule 150) (vote)

Report on the proposal for a Council directive repealing Council Directive 2003/48/EC [COM (2015)0129 - C8-0086/2015- 2015/0065(CNS)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Molly Scott Cato (A8-0299/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 3)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL, AMENDMENTS and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (P8_TA(2015)0362)

5.4. Automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Sweden * (Rule 150) (vote)

Report on the draft Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Sweden [10027/2015 - C8-0197/2015- 2015/0804(CNS)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Monika Flašíková Beňová (A8-0304/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 4)

DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (*P8_TA(2015)0363*)

5.5. Automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Belgium * (Rule 150) (vote)

Report on the draft Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Belgium [10029/2015 - C8-0196/2015- 2015/0805(CNS)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Monika Flašíková Beňová (A8-0303/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 5)

DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (*P8_TA(2015)0364*)

5.6. Automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Poland * (Rule 150) (vote)

Report on the draft Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to dactyloscopic data in Poland [09989/2015 - C8-0195/2015- 2015/0806(CNS)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Monika Flašíková Beňová (A8-0302/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 6)

DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION and DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted by single vote (*P8_TA(2015)0365*)

5.7. Package travel and linked travel arrangements *II (vote)**

Recommendation for second reading on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on package travel and linked travel arrangements, amending Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 and Directive 2011/83/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directive 90/314/EEC [09173/3/2015 - C8-0281/2015- 2013/0246(COD)] - Committee on the Internal Market and

Consumer Protection. Rapporteur: Birgit Collin-Langen (A8-0297/2015)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 7)

COUNCIL POSITION

Declared approved (*P8_TA(2015)0366*)

5.8. European single market for electronic communications *II (vote)**

Recommendation for second reading on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down measures concerning open internet access and amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services and Regulation (EU) No 531/2012 on roaming on public mobile communications networks within the Union [10788/2/2015 - C8-0294/2015- 2013/0309(COD)] - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. Rapporteur: Pilar del Castillo Vera (A8-0300/2015)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 8)

COUNCIL POSITION

Declared approved (*P8_TA(2015)0367*)

The following had spoken:

Pilar del Castillo Vera (rapporteur).

5.9. Trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other treatment or punishment *I (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1236/2005 concerning trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment [COM (2014)0001 - C7-0014/2014- 2014/0005(COD)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Marietje Schaake (A8-0267/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 9)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL and AMENDMENTS

Approved as amended (*P8_TA(2015)0368*)

Marietje Schaake (rapporteur) proposed that the vote on the draft legislative resolution should be postponed in accordance with Rule 61(2)).

Parliament approved the proposal. The matter was thus deemed to have been referred back to the committee responsible for reconsideration.

5.10. Mandatory automatic exchange of information in the field of taxation * (vote)

Report on the proposal for a Council directive amending Directive 2011/16/EU as regards mandatory automatic exchange of information in the field of taxation [COM(2015)0135 - C8-0085/2015 - 2015/0068(CNS)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Markus Ferber (A8-0306/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 10)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL and AMENDMENTS

Approved as amended (P8_TA(2015)0369)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0369)

5.11. Discharge 2013: ARTEMIS Joint Undertaking (vote)

Second report on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the ARTEMIS Joint Undertaking for the financial year 2013 [COM(2014)0510 - C8-0208/2014- 2014/2132(DEC)] - Committee on Budgetary Control. Rapporteur: Ryszard Czarnecki (A8-0283/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 11)

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0370)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0370)

Discharge was granted and closure of the accounts approved (see Annex V, Article 5(2) to the Rules of Procedure).

5.12. Discharge 2013: European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) (vote)

Second report on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology for the financial year 2013 [COM(2014)0510 - C8-0201/2014- 2014/2125(DEC)] - Committee on Budgetary Control. Rapporteur: Ryszard Czarnecki (A8-0282/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 12)

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0371)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0371)

Discharge was granted and closure of the accounts approved (see Annex V, Article 5(2) to the Rules of Procedure).

5.13. Discharge 2013: ENIAC Joint Undertaking (vote)

Second report on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the ENIAC Joint Undertaking for the financial year 2013 [COM(2014)0510 - C8-0211/2014- 2014/2135(DEC)] - Committee on Budgetary Control. Rapporteur: Ryszard Czarnecki (A8-0285/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 13)

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0372)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0372)

Discharge was granted and closure of the accounts approved (see Annex V, Article 5(2) to the Rules of Procedure).

5.14. Discharge 2013: EU general budget - European Council and Council (vote)

Second report on discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2013, Section II – European Council and Council [COM(2014)0510 - C8-0148/2014- 2014/2079(DEC)] - Committee on Budgetary Control. Rapporteur: Ryszard Czarnecki (A8-0269/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 14)

PROPOSAL FOR A DECISION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0373)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P8_TA(2015)0373)

Discharge was refused (see Article 5(2)(b) of Annex V to the Rules of Procedure).

5.15. Ebola crisis: long-term lessons (vote)

Report on the Ebola crisis: the long-term lessons and how to strengthen health systems in developing countries to prevent future crises [2014/2204(INI)] - Committee on Development.
Rapporteur: Charles Goerens (A8-0281/2015)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 15)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (*P8_TA(2015)0374*)

The following had spoken:

Charles Goerens had tabled two oral amendments to introduce new text after paragraph 2 and recital C. Both oral amendments were incorporated.

5.16. Emission measurements in the automotive sector (vote)

Question for oral answer (O-000113/2015) by Giovanni La Via, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, Vicky Ford, on behalf of the IMCO Committee, Jerzy Buzek, on behalf of the ITRE Committee, Michael Cramer, on behalf of the TRAN Committee, to the Commission: Emissions measurements in the automotive sector (2015/2865(RSP)) (B8-0764/2015)

The debate took place on 6 October 2015 (*minutes of 6.10.2015, item 11*).

The motions for resolutions had been announced on 27 October 2015 (*minutes of 27.10.2015, item 4*).

Motion for resolution B8-1075/2015, B8-1076/2015, B8-1077/2015, B8-1078/2015, B8-1079/2015 and B8-1080/2015 (2015/2865(RSP))

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 16)

JOINT MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION RC-B8-1075/2015

(replacing B8-1075/2015, B8-1076/2015, B8-1078/2015 and B8-1080/2015):

tabled by the following Members:

- Françoise Grossetête, on behalf of the PPE Group;
- Matthias Groote, on behalf of the S&D Group;
- Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy and Dita Charanzová, on behalf of the ALDE Group;
- Bas Eickhout, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group.

Adopted (*P8_TA(2015)0375*)

(Motions for resolutions B8-1077/2015 and B8-1079/2015 fell.)

6. Explanations of vote

Written explanations of vote:

Explanations of vote submitted in writing under Rule 183 appear in the Verbatim Report of Proceedings for the sitting.

Oral explanations of vote:

Report: Jeppe Kofod - A8-0271/2015

Andrejs Mamikins, Daniel Hannan, Monica Macovei, Stanislav Polčák and Seán Kelly

Report: Molly Scott Cato - A8-0299/2015

Andrejs Mamikins, Daniel Hannan, Stanislav Polčák, Seán Kelly and Jonathan Arnott

Report: Birgit Collin-Langen - A8-0297/2015

Andrejs Mamikins, Marijana Petir and Seán Kelly

Report: Pilar del Castillo Vera - A8-0300/2015

Afzal Khan, Jens Rohde, Marian Harkin, Krisztina Morvai, Jiří Pospíšil, Michaela Šojdrová, Andrejs Mamikins, José Blanco López, Seán Kelly, Nathan Gill, David Coburn and Jonathan Arnott

Report: Marietje Schaake - A8-0267/2015

Krisztina Morvai, Jiří Pospíšil, Andrejs Mamikins, Marijana Petir, Jude Kirton-Darling and Jonathan Arnott.

Explanations of vote would continue at the following day's sitting on Thursday 29 October 2015.

7. Corrections to votes and voting intentions

Corrections to votes and voting intentions appear on the Europarl website under 'Plenary/Votes/Results of Votes (Results of roll-call votes)'. They are published in hard copy in the 'Results of roll-call votes' annex.

The electronic version on Europarl will be regularly updated for a maximum of two weeks after the day of the vote concerned.

After the two-week deadline has passed, the list of corrections to votes and voting intentions will be finalised so that it can be translated and published in the Official Journal.

(The sitting was suspended at 14.50 and resumed at 15.00.)

IN THE CHAIR: Martin SCHULZ
President

8. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

9. Commission Work Programme 2016 (debate)

Commission statement: Commission Work Programme 2016 (2015/2853(RSP))

Frans Timmermans (First Vice-President of the Commission) made the statement.

The following spoke: József Szájer, on behalf of the PPE Group, Maria João Rodrigues, on behalf of the S&D Group, Vicky Ford, on behalf of the ECR Group, Sophia in 't Veld, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Martina Michels, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Philippe Lamberts, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, David Borrelli, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Matteo Salvini, on behalf of the ENF Group, and Krisztina Morvai, non-attached Member.

The following spoke: Frans Timmermans.

The debate closed.

IN THE CHAIR: Mairead McGUINNESS

10. General budget of the European Union for 2016 - all sections (debate)

Report on the Council position on the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2016 [11706/2015 - C8-0274/2015- 2015/2132(BUD)] - Committee on Budgets. Rapporteurs: José Manuel Fernandes and Gérard Deprez (A8-0298/2015)

José Manuel Fernandes and Gérard Deprez introduced the reports.

The following spoke: Pierre Gramegna (President-in-Office of the Council) and Kristalina Georgieva (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz (rapporteur for the opinion of the IMCO Committee), Danuta Maria Hübner (rapporteur for the opinion of the AFCO Committee), Peter Simon (rapporteur for the opinion of the ECON Committee), Tomáš Zdechovský (rapporteur for the opinion of the CONT Committee), Alain Cadec (rapporteur for the opinion of the PECH Committee), Péter Niedermüller (rapporteur for the opinion of the LIBE Committee), Massimiliano Salini (rapporteur for the opinion of the TRAN Committee), Jean-Paul Denanot (rapporteur for the opinion of the AGRI Committee), Reimer Böge (rapporteur for the opinion of the INTA Committee), Maria Spyraiki (rapporteur for the opinion of the REGI Committee), Cristian Dan Preda (rapporteur for the opinion of the AFET Committee), Arne Lietz (rapporteur for the opinion of the DEVE Committee), Bogdan Andrzej Zdrojewski (rapporteur for the opinion of the CULT Committee) and Paul Rübig, on behalf of the PPE Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Antonio TAJANI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Jens Geier, on behalf of the S&D Group, Richard Ashworth, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jean Arthuis, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Liadh Ní Riada, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Indrek Tarand, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Marco Zanni, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Auke Zijlstra, on behalf of the ENF Group, Eleftherios Synadinos, non-attached Member, Giovanni La Via (rapporteur for the opinion of the ENVI Committee), Jan Olbrycht, who also replied to a blue-card question by Paul Rübig, Vladimír Maňka, Nedzhmi Ali, Younous Omarjee, Jonathan Arnott, Barbara Matera (rapporteur for the opinion of the FEMM Committee), Marian-Jean Marinescu, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Urmas Paet, Miguel Urbán Crespo, Alain Lamassoure, Isabelle Thomas, Miguel Viegas, Lefteris Christoforou, Siegfried Mureşan, Clare Moody, Patricija Šulin, Inese Vaidere and Petri Sarvamaa.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Andrey Novakov, Victor Negrescu, Arne Gericke, Ivan Jakovčić, Igor Šoltés, Notis Marias and Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță.

The following spoke: Kristalina Georgieva, Pierre Gramegna, José Manuel Fernandes and Gérard Deprez.

The debate closed.

Vote: 28 October 2015.

11. Corrigendum (Rule 231)

The corrigendum ((P6_TA(2009)0092(COR1))) had been announced in plenary the previous day (*minutes of 26.10.2015, item 6*).

As there had been no request for a vote by a political group or at least 40 Members (Rule 231(4)), this corrigendum was deemed to have been approved.

(The sitting was suspended for a short time)

12. Situation in Israel and Palestine (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: Situation in Israel and Palestine (2015/2923(RSP))

Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy) made the statement.

The following spoke: Mariya Gabriel, on behalf of the PPE Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Anneli JÄÄTTEENMÄKI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Gianni Pittella, on behalf of the S&D Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Bill Etheridge, Anna Elżbieta Fotyga, on behalf of the ECR Group, Hilde Vautmans, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Martina Anderson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Margrete Auken, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Mario Borghezio, on behalf of the ENF Group, Diane Dodds, non-attached Member, Cristian Dan Preda, Victor Boștinăru, Charles Tannock, Javier Nart, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, Patrick Le Hyaric, who also replied to two blue-card questions by James Carver and Javier Nart, Pascal Durand, Marcel de Graaff, Francisco José Millán Mon, Richard Howitt, Geoffrey Van Orden, who also replied to a blue-card question by Margrete Auken, Pavel Telička, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Lars Adaktusson, Ioan Mircea Pașcu, Branislav Škripek, Martina Michels, who also replied to a blue-card question by James Carver, Gilles Pargneaux, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Afzal Khan, Notis Marias, Maria Arena and Arne Lietz.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Milan Zver, Nicola Caputo, Arne Gericke, Javier Couso Permuy, Ernest Maragall, Sotirios Zarianopoulos, Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Sofia Sakorafa and Miguel Viegas.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini.

The debate closed.

13. Situation in South Sudan (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: Situation in South Sudan (2015/2905(RSP))

Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy) made the statement.

The following spoke: Bogdan Brunon Wenta, on behalf of the PPE Group.

The following spoke: Enrique Guerrero Salom, on behalf of the S&D Group, Charles Tannock, on behalf of the ECR Group, Petr Ježek, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Javier Couso Permuy, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Jordi Sebastià, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, James Carver, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Edouard Ferrand, on behalf of the ENF Group, Mariya Gabriel, Linda McAvan, Anna Elżbieta Fotyga, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Andrej Plenković, Ana Gomes, Mark Demesmaeker, Joachim Zeller, Kashetu Kyenge, Tunne Kelam and Jarosław Wałęsa.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Nicola Caputo, Notis Marias, Ivan Jakovčić, Miguel Viegas and Fabio Massimo Castaldo.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini.

The debate closed.

14. EU strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian region - Cohesion policy and review of the Europe 2020 strategy - European Structural and Investment Funds and sound economic governance - Towards simplification and performance orientation in cohesion policy for 2014-2020 (debate)

Report on an EU strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian region [2014/2214(INI)] - Committee on Regional Development. Rapporteur: Ivan Jakovčić (A8-0279/2015)

Report on cohesion policy and the review of the Europe 2020 strategy [2014/2246(INI)] - Committee on Regional Development. Rapporteur: Fernando Ruas (A8-0277/2015)

Report on the European Structural and Investment Funds and sound economic governance: guidelines for the implementation of Article 23 of the Common Provisions Regulation [2015/2052 (INI)] - Committee on Regional Development. Rapporteur: José Blanco López (A8-0268/2015)

Question for oral answer (O-000127/2015) by Iskra Mihaylova, on behalf of the REGI Committee, to the Commission: Towards simplification and performance orientation in cohesion policy for 2014-2020 (B8-1103/2015)

Ivan Jakovčić, Fernando Ruas, and José Blanco López - who refused to reply to a blue-card question from Tania González Peñas - introduced the reports.

Younous Omarjee moved the question.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Dubravka Šuica (rapporteur for the opinion of the AFET Committee), Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto (rapporteur for the opinion of the EMPL Committee), who also replied to a blue-card question by Bill Etheridge, Marco Affronte (rapporteur for the opinion of the ENVI Committee), Franc Bogovič, on behalf of the PPE Group, Constanze Krehl, on behalf of the S&D Group, Andrew Lewer, on behalf of the ECR Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, and Dimitrios Papadimoulis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group.

The following spoke: Davor Škrlec, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Rosa D'Amato, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Georgios Epitideios, non-attached Member, Stanislav Polčák, Michela Giuffrida, Notis Marias, Martina Anderson, Bronis Ropè, Bill Etheridge, Konstantinos Papadakis, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Andrea Cozzolino, Edward Czesak, Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Andrey Novakov, Victor Boștinaru, Joachim Zeller, Mercedes Bresso, Krzysztof Hetman, Tonino Picula, Marc Joulaud, Liliana Rodrigues, Tamás Deutsch, Massimo Paolucci, Maria Spyraiki, Werner Kuhn and Ivana Maletić.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Ricardo Serrão Santos, Sofia Sakorafa, Tania González Peñas and Miguel Viegas.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu, Ivan Jakovčić, Fernando Ruas and José Blanco López.

The motions for resolutions to be tabled under Rule 128(5) would be announced in the House at a later time.

The debate closed.

Vote: the three reports would be put to the vote on 28 October 2015; the question for oral answer O-000127/2015 would be put to the vote at the next part-session.

15. Composition of political groups

Monica Macovei was no longer a member of the PPE Group and had joined the ECR Group with effect from 27 October 2015.

16. Reform of the electoral law of the EU (debate)

Report on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union [2015/2035(INL)] - Committee on Constitutional Affairs. Rapporteurs: Danuta Maria Hübner and Jo Leinen (A8-0286/2015)

Danuta Maria Hübner and Jo Leinen introduced the report.

The following spoke: Arne Gericke to put a blue-card question to Jo Leinen, who replied.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: György Schöpflin, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mercedes Bresso, on behalf of the S&D Group, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, on behalf of the ECR Group, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Helmut Scholz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Josep-Maria Terricabras, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Diane James, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Gerolf Annemans, on behalf of the ENF Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Mercedes Bresso, Pavel Svoboda, Pedro Silva Pereira, Beatrix von Storch, Ulrike Müller, Klaus Buchner, Vicky Maeijer, Cristian Dan Preda, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, who also replied to a blue-card question by Gilles Lebreton, and Arne Gericke.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Jiří Pospíšil, Notis Marias, Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Julia Reda, Stanislav Polčák, João Ferreira.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu, Danuta Maria Hübner, Jo Leinen.

The debate closed.

Vote: 28 October 2015.

17. Court of Justice of the European Union: number of judges at the General Court *II (debate)**

Recommendation for second reading on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Protocol No 3 on the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union [09375/1/2015 - C8-0166/2015-2011/0901B(COD)] - Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: António Marinho e Pinto (A8-0296/2015)

António Marinho e Pinto introduced the recommendation for second reading.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Tadeusz Zwiefka, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mady Delvaux, on behalf of the S&D Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jiří Pospíšil, Sajjad Karim, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jean-Marie Cavada, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Heidi Hautala, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Laura Ferrara, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Gilles Lebreton, on behalf of the ENF Group, Therese Comodini Cachia, Evelyn Regner, Diane James, Daniel Buda and Jytte Guteland.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Jiří Pospíšil, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Notis Marias and Stanislav Polčák.

The following spoke: Corina Crețu and António Marinho e Pinto.

The debate closed.

Vote: 28 October 2015.

18. Agenda of the next sitting

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 570.418/OJME).

19. Closure of the sitting

The sitting closed at 23.45.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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Present:

Adaktusson, Adinolfi, Affronte, Agea, Agnew, Aguilera García, Aiuto, Aker, Albiol Guzmán, Albrecht, Ali, Aliot, Alliot-Marie, Anderson Lucy, Anderson Martina, Andersson, Andrieu, Androulakis, Annemans, Arena, Arimont, Arnautu, Arnott, Arthuis, Ashworth, Assis, Atkinson, Auken, Auštrevičius, Ayuso, van Baalen, Bach, Balas, Balčytis, Balczó, Balz, Башир, Batten, Bay, Bayet, Bearder, Becerra Basterrechea, Becker, Beghin, Belder, Belet, Bendtsen, Benifei, Berès, Bergeron, Bettini, Bilde, Bizzotto, Björk, Blanco López, Blinkevičiūtė, Bocskor, Böge, Bogovič, Bonafè, Boni, Borghezio, Borrelli, Borzan, Boştinaru, Bours, Boutonnet, Bové, Boylan, Brannen, Bresso, Briano, Briois, Brok, Buchner, Buda, Bullmann, Buonanno, Buşoi, Bütikofer, Buzek, Cabezón Ruiz, Cadec, Calvet Chambon, van de Camp, Campbell Bannerman, Caputo, Carthy, Carver, Casa, Caspary, Castaldo, del Castillo Vera, Cavada, Cesa, Charanzová, Childers, Chinnici, Chountis, Christensen, Christoforou, Chrysogonos, Cicu, Cirio, Clune, Coburn, Coelho, Cofferati, Collin-Langen, Collins, Comi, Comodini Cachia, Corazza Bildt, Corbett, Corrao, Costa, Couso Permuy, Cozzolino, Cramer, Csáky, Czarnecki, Czesak, van Dalen, Dalli, Dalton, D'Amato, Dance, Dăncilă, Danjean, Danti, Dantin, (The Earl of) Dartmouth, Dati, De Backer, De Castro, Delahaye, Deli, Delli, Delvaux, De Masi, Demesmaeker, De Monte, Denanot, Deprez, de Sarnez, Deß, Deutsch, Deva, Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Dlabajová, Dodds Diane, Dorfmann, D'Ornano, Drăghici, Duncan, Durand, Dzhambazki, Eck, Ehler, Eickhout, Engström, Eptideios, Erdős, Eriksson, Ernst, Ertug, Estaràs Ferragut, Etheridge, Evans, Evi, Fajon, Farage, Faria, Federley, Ferber, Fernandes, Fernández, Ferrand, Ferrara, Ferreira Elisa, Ferreira João, Finch, Fisas Aixelà, Fitto, Fjellner, Flanagan, Flašíková Beňová, Fleckenstein, Florenz, Fontana, Ford, Forenza, Foster, Fotyga, Fountoulis, Fox, Freund, Frunzulică, Gabriel, Gahler, Gál, Gáll-Pelcz, García Pérez, Gardiazabal Rubial, Gardini, Gasbarra, Gebhardt, Geier, Gentile, Gerbrandy, Gericke, Geringer de Oedenberg, Giegold, Gierek, Gieseke, Gill Nathan, Gill Neena, Girauta Vidal, Girling, Giuffrida, Goddyn, Goerens, Gomes, González Peñas, González Pons, Gosiewska, Goulard, de Graaff, Grammatikakis, de Grandes Pascual, Grapini, Gräble, Graswander-Hainz, Griesbeck, Griffin, Grigule, Gróbarczyk, Groote, Grossetête, Grzyb, Gualtieri, Guerrero Salom, Guillaume, Guoga, Guteland, Gutiérrez Prieto, Gyürk, Hadjigeorgiou, Halla-aho, Händel, Hannan, Harkin, Häusling, Hautala, Hayes, Hazekamp, Hedh, Helmer, Henkel, Herranz García, Hetman, Heubuch, Hoffmann, Hökmark, Hölvényi, Honeyball, Hookem, Hortefeux, Howitt, Hübner, Hudghton, Huitema, Hyusmenova, Iglesias, in 't Veld, Iotova, Iturgaiz, Ivan, Iwaszkiewicz, Jaakonsaari, Jäätteenmäki, Jadot, Jahr, Jakovčić, Jalkh, James, Jáuregui Atondo, Jávora, Jazłowiecka, Ježek, Joly, de Jong, Jongerius, Joulaud, Juaristi Abaunz, Jurek, Juvin, Kadenbach, Kaili, Kalinowski, Kallas, Kalniete, Kamall, Kammerevert, Kappel, Karas, Kari, Karim, Kariņš, Karlsson, Karski, Kaufmann, Kefalogiannis, Kelam, Keller Jan, Keller Ska, Kelly, Khan, Kirkhope, Kirton-Darling, Koch, Kofod, Kölmel, Korwin-Mikke, Köster, Köstinger, Kouloglou, Kovács, Kovatchev, Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Krasnodębski, Krehl, Kudrycka, Kuhn, Kukan, Kumpula-Natri, Kuneva, Kuźmiuk, Kyenge, Kyllönen, Kyrkos, Kyrtos, Kyuchyuk, Lamassoure, Lambert, Landsbergis, Lange, de Lange, Langen, Lauristin, La Via, Lavrilleux, Lebreton, Le Grip, Legutko, Le Hyaric, Leinen, Lenaers, Lewandowski, Lewer, Liberadzki, Liese, Lietz, Lins, Lochbihler, Loiseau, Loones, Lope Fontagné,

López Aguilar, López Bermejo, López-Istúriz White, Lösing, Lucke, Ludvigsson, Łukacijewska, Lunacek, Lundgren, Łybacka, McAllister, McAvan, McClarkin, McGuinness, Mach, McIntyre, Macovei, Maeijer, Maletić, Malinov, Maltese, Mamikins, Mănescu, Maňka, Mann, Manscour, Maragall, Marias, Marinescu, Marinho e Pinto, Martin David, Martin Dominique, Martin Edouard, Martusciello, Marusik, Maštálka, Matera, Matias, Mato, Maullu, Maura Barandiarán, Maurel, Mavrides, Mayer, Mazuronis, Meissner, Mélenchon, Mélin, Melior, Melo, Messerschmidt, Metsola, Michels, Mikolášik, Millán Mon, van Miltenburg, Mineur, Mizzi, Mlinar, Moi, Moisa, Molnár, Monot, Monteiro de Aguiar, Montel, Moody, Moraes, Morano, Morgano, Morin-Chartier, Morvai, Mosca, Müller, Mureşan, Muselier, Mussolini, Nagy, Nart, Negrescu, Nekov, Neuser, Nica, Nicholson, Nicolai, Niebler, Niedermayer, Niedermüller, van Nieuwenhuizen, Nilsson, Ni Riada, van Nistelrooij, Noichl, Novakov, Nuttall, Obermayr, O'Flynn, Olbrycht, Omarjee, Ozóg, Pabrics, Paet, Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Paksas, Panzeri, Paolucci, Papadakis Konstantinos, Papadimoulis, Pargneaux, Parker, Paşcu, Patriciello, Paunova, Pavel, Pedicini, Peillon, Peterle, Petersen, Petir, Philippot, Picula, Piecha, Pieper, Pietikäinen, Piotrowski, Piri, Pirinski, Pitera, Pittella, Plenković, Plura, Poc, Poche, Pogliese, Polčák, Ponga, Pořeba, Pospíšil, Post, Preda, Pretzell, Preuß, Proust, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Radoš, Rangel, Rebege, Reda, Reding, Regner, Reid, Reimon, Reintke, Reul, Revault D'Allonnes Bonnefoy, Ribeiro, Ries, Riquet, Rivasi, Rochefort, Rodrigues Liliana, Rodrigues Maria João, Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Rodust, Rohde, Rolin, Ropè, Rosati, Ruas, Rübige, Ruohonen-Lerner, Saïfi, Sakorafá, Salini, Salvini, Sánchez Caldentey, Sander, Sant, Sârbu, Sarvamaa, Saryusz-Wolski, Sassoli, Schaake, Schaffhauser, Schaldemose, Schlein, Schmidt, Scholz, Schöpflin, Schreijer-Pierik, Schulz, Schulze, Schuster, Schwab, Scott Cato, Sebastia, Sehnalová, Selimovic, Senra Rodríguez, Sernagiotto, Serrão Santos, Seymour, Siekierski, Silva Pereira, Simon Peter, Simon Siôn, Sippel, Škripek, Škrlec, Smith, Smolková, Sógor, Šojdrová, Šoltes, Sommer, Soru, Spinelli, Spyraiki, Staes, Stanishev, Starbatty, Štefanec, Steinruck, Štětina, Stevens, Stihler, Stolojan, von Storch, Stuger, Šuica, Sulík, Šulin, Svoboda, Swinburne, Sylkoti, Synadinos, Szájer, Szanyi, Szejnfeld, Tajani, Takkula, Tamburrano, Tănăsescu, Tang, Tannock, Tapardel, Tarabella, Tarand, Taylor, Telička, Terricabras, Theocharous, Theurer, Thomas, Thun und Hohenstein, Toia, Tóké, Tomaševski, Tomc, Toom, Tørnæs, Torres Martínez, Torvalds, Tošenovský, Trebesius, Troszczynski, Ţurcanu, Turmes, Ujazdowski, Ujhelyi, Ungureanu, Urbán Crespo, Urtasun, Urutchev, Vaidere, Vajgl, Valcárcel Siso, Valero, Valli, Vallina, Vana, Van Bossuyt, Van Brempt, Vandenkendelaere, Van Orden, Vaughan, Vautmans, Väyrynen, Verheyen, Viegas, Vilimsky, Viotti, Virkkunen, Vistisen, Voigt, Voss, Vozemberg-Vrionidi, Wałęsa, Ward, Weber Renate, Weidenholzer, von Weizsäcker, Wenta, Werner, Westphal, Wieland, Wikström, Willmott, Winberg, Winkler Iuliu, Wiśniewska, Záborská, Zala, Zalba Bidegain, Zanni, Zanonato, Zarianopoulos, Ždanoka, Zdechovský, Zdrojewski, Zeller, Zemke, Zijlstra, Zile, Zimmer, Žitňanská, Zlotowski, Zoffoli, Żółtek, Zorrinho, Zuber, Zullo, Zver, Zwiefka

Excused:

Crowley, Picierno