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of the sitting of

Monday

3 July 2017



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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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

2017 - 2018 SESSION

Sittings of 3 to 6 July 2017

STRASBOURG

MINUTES

MONDAY 3 JULY 2017

IN THE CHAIR: Antonio TAJANI

President

1. Resumption of the session

The sitting opened at 17.05.

2. Tribute

On behalf of Parliament, the President paid tribute to the memory of Simone Veil, the first President of the directly elected European Parliament.

Parliament observed a minute's silence.

The President announced that a ceremony to commemorate the life of Simone Veil would be held at 12.00 on Tuesday 4 July 2017 in the Chamber and that Members' attendance at the funeral, on Wednesday, 5 July 2017 in Paris, would be considered a justified reason for their absence.

The following spoke: Terry Reintke, on the German Bundestag's passing, on 30 June 2017, of the law on same-sex marriage, Franck Proust, on behalf of the PPE Group, Nathalie Griesbeck, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Christine Revault D'Allonnes Bonnefoy, on behalf of the S&D Group, and Ulrike Lunacek, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Simone Veil as a political figure, and Patrizia Toia, on the same subject and to stress the critical situation with the influx of refugees in Italy.

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

Anna Elżbieta Fotyga had been present at the sitting of 15 June 2017, but her name was not on the attendance register.

4. Composition of Parliament

The British authorities had given notice of the appointment of Ian Duncan as a member of the British Government with effect from 23 June 2017.

The Maltese authorities had given notice of the election of Therese Comodini Cachia as a member of the Maltese Parliament with effect from 24 June 2017.

Victor Negrescu had been appointed Romania's Minister for European Affairs with effect from 30 June 2017.

Parliament noted that, pursuant to Article 7(1) and (2) of the Act concerning the election of the members of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage, the aforementioned Members had been appointed to posts incompatible with that of Member of the European Parliament and declared their seats vacant with effect from 23 June to 24 June and 30 June 2017 respectively.

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The British authorities had given notice of the election to the European Parliament of John Flack, with effect from 28 June 2017, and Rupert Matthews and Wajid Khan, with effect from 29 June 2017, and John Howarth, with effect from 30 June 2017, to replace Vicky Ford, Andrew Lewer, Afzal Khan and Anneliese Dodds, respectively.

Under Rule 3(2), until such time as their credentials had been verified or a ruling had been given on any dispute, and provided that they had previously made a written declaration stating that they did not hold any office incompatible with that of Member of the European Parliament, John Flack, Rupert Matthews, Wajid Khan and John Howarth would take their seats in Parliament and on its bodies and would enjoy all the rights attaching thereto.

5. Verification of credentials

On a proposal from the JURI Committee, Parliament validated the mandates of Thierry Cornillet and Patricia Lalonde.

6. Request for waiver of immunity

The Greek authorities had forwarded a request to waive the immunity of Manolis Kefalogiannis in relation to proceedings that had been opened against him.

Pursuant to Rule 9(1), the request had been referred to the committee responsible, the JURI Committee.

7. Request for the defence of immunity

The JURI Committee, as the committee responsible, had notified the President that, since Stanislav Polčák had cancelled his request for defence of his privileges and immunities, this procedure for defence of immunity was therefore closed.

8. Composition of committees and delegations

The President had received the following requests for appointments from the PPE, ECR, Verts/ALE and ENF Groups:

ECON Committee: Anne Sander to replace Alain Lamassoure

EMPL Committee: Anne Sander was no longer a member

AFCO Committee: Alain Lamassoure to replace Constance Le Grip

Delegation for relations with the United States: Daniel Dalton to replace Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean: Jakop Dalunde to replace Eva Joly

BUDG Committee: André Elissen

FEMM Committee: André Elissen

Delegation for relations with Afghanistan: André Elissen

The appointments would be deemed ratified if there were no objections before the approval of these minutes.

9. Negotiations ahead of Parliament's first reading (Rule 69(c))

The President announced the decisions by several committees to enter into interinstitutional negotiations pursuant to Rule 69c (1):

- LIBE Committee, on the basis of the Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted and amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents (COM(2016)0466 – C8-0324/2016 – 2016/0223(COD)). Rapporteur: Tanja Fajon (A8-0245/2017)

- LIBE Committee, on the basis of the Report on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of highly skilled employment (COM(2016)0378 – C8-0213/2016 – 2016/0176(COD)). Rapporteur: Claude Moraes (A8-0240/2017)

- REGI Committee, on the basis of the Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 as regards the territorial typologies (Tercet) (COM(2016)0788 – C8-0516/2016 – 2016/0393(COD)). Rapporteur: Iskra Mihaylova (A8-0231/2017)

- INTA Committee, on the basis of the Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union and Regulation (EU) 2016/1037 on protection against subsidised imports from countries not members of the European Union (COM

(2016)0721 - C8-0456/2016 – 2016/0351(COD)). Rapporteur: Salvatore Cicu (A8-0236/2017)

- EMPL and CULT Committees, on the basis of the Report on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on a common framework for the provision of better services for skills and qualifications (Europass) and repealing Decision No 2241/2004/EC (COM(2016)0625 - C8-0404/2016 – 2016/0304(COD)). Rapporteurs: Svetoslav Hristov Malinov and Thomas Mann (A8-0244/2017)

- EMPL Committee, on the basis of the Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council Establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples (COM(2016)0551 – C8-0345/2016 – 2016/0264(COD)). Rapporteur: Tamás Meszerics (A8-0247/2017).

In accordance with Rule 69c (2), Members or political group(s) reaching at least the medium threshold may request in writing, by midnight on Tuesday 4 July 2017, that decisions to enter into negotiations be put to the vote

Negotiations may start at any time after that deadline has expired if no request for a vote in Parliament on the decision to enter into negotiations has been made.

10. Delegated acts (Rule 105(6))

In accordance with Rule 105(6), the Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs had informed the President of Parliament that no objections had been raised with regard to:

- the JURI Committee recommendation to raise no objections to the Commission delegated regulation of 19 June 2017 replacing Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1896/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council creating a European order for payment procedure (C(2017)03984 – 2017/2747(DEA)) (B8-0437/2017)

- the JURI Committee recommendation to raise no objections to the Commission delegated regulation of 19 June 2017 replacing Annexes I, II, III and IV to Regulation (EC) No 861/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 July 2007 establishing a European Small Claims Procedure (C(2017)03982 – 2017/2748(DEA)) (B8-0438/2017).

If no objections to these recommendations are raised by a political group or at least 40 Members within 24 hours, they shall be deemed to have been approved. If this is not the case, they shall be put to the vote.

Both recommendations are available on the Europarl website for the duration of the current part-session.

11. Interpretations of the Rules of Procedure

The President informed the House, under Rule 226(3), of the following interpretation of Rule 5(5), provided by the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, which had been consulted on the application of that provision:

‘Access to confidential information is subject to the rules laid down in interinstitutional agreements concluded by Parliament relating to the treatment of confidential information^{1a} and to the internal rules for their implementation adopted by Parliament's competent bodies^{1b}.

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- 1a Interinstitutional Agreement of 20 November 2002 between the European Parliament and the Council concerning access by the European Parliament to sensitive information of the Council in the field of security and defence policy (OJ C 298, 30.11.2002, p. 1).
- Framework Agreement of 20 October 2010 on relations between the European Parliament and the European Commission (OJ L 304, 20.11.2010, p. 47).
- Interinstitutional Agreement of 12 March 2014 between the European Parliament and the Council concerning the forwarding to and handling by the European Parliament of classified information held by the Council on matters other than those in the area of the common foreign and security policy (OJ C 95, 1.4.2014, p. 1).
- 1b Decision of the European Parliament of 23 October 2002 on the implementation of the Interinstitutional Agreement governing European Parliament access to sensitive Council information in the sphere of security and defence policy (OJ C 298, 30.11.2002, p. 4).
- Decision of the Bureau of 15 April 2013 concerning the rules governing the treatment of confidential information by the European Parliament (OJ C 96, 1.4.2014, p. 1).'

If this interpretation was not contested by a political group or at least the threshold number of Members established in Rule 226(4) within 24 hours of being announced, it would be deemed to have been adopted. Otherwise, the matter would be put to the vote in the House.

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The President informed the House, under Rule 226(3), of the following interpretation of Rule 210a, provided by the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, which had been consulted on the application of that provision:

‘This Rule applies to the extent that the applicable legal framework relating to the treatment of confidential information provides for the possibility of consulting the confidential information at a meeting in camera outside the secure facilities.’

If this interpretation was not contested by a political group or at least the threshold number of Members established in Rule 226(4) within 24 hours of being announced, it would be deemed to have been adopted. Otherwise, the matter would be put to the vote in the House.

12. Signature of acts adopted under the ordinary legislative procedure (Rule 78)

The President announced that, together with the President of the Council, he would, that week, sign the following acts adopted under the ordinary legislative procedure:

- Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation of the Union in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA) jointly undertaken by several Member States (00018/2017/LEX - C8-0222/2017 - 2016/0325(COD))
- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No

1303/2013 as regards specific measures to provide additional assistance to Member States affected by natural disasters (00021/2017/LEX - C8-0221/2017 - 2016/0384(COD))

- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting a framework for energy labelling and repealing Directive 2010/30/EU (00019/2017/LEX - C8-0220/2017 - 2015/0149(COD))

- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1683/95 laying down a uniform format for visas (00020/2017/LEX - C8-0215/2017 - 2015/0134 (COD))

- Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law (00032/2017/LEX - C8-0214/2017 - 2012/0193(COD)).

13. Action taken on Parliament's positions and resolutions

The Commission communications on the action taken on the positions and resolutions adopted by Parliament during the January 2017, February II 2017 and March I and II 2017 part-sessions were available on the Europarl site.

14. Documents received

The following documents had been received:

(1) from the Council and Commission

- Draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2017: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2016 (09437/2017 - C8-0190/2017 - 2017/2061(BUD))

referred to responsible : BUDG

- Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (GNI Regulation) repealing Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 (COM(2017)0329 - C8-0192/2017 - 2017/0134(COD))

referred to responsible : ECON
opinion : BUDG

- Proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund following an application from Finland – EGF/2017/002 FI/Microsoft 2 (COM(2017)0322 - C8-0193/2017 - 2017/2098(BUD))

referred to responsible : BUDG
opinion : EMPL, REGI

- Proposal for a Council directive amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructures, as regards certain provisions on vehicle taxation (COM(2017)0276 - C8-0196/2017 - 2017/0115(CNS))

referred to responsible : TRAN
opinion : ENVI

- Proposal for a Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to vehicle registration data in the Czech Republic (09893/2017 - C8-0197/2017 - 2017/0806 (CNS))

referred to responsible : LIBE

(2) from committees

(2.1) reports

- Report on private security companies (2016/2238(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Hilde Vautmans (A8-0191/2017)
- Report on the functioning of franchising in the retail sector (2016/2244(INI)) - IMCO Committee - Rapporteur: Dennis de Jong (A8-0199/2017)
- Report with recommendations to the Commission on limitation periods for traffic accidents (2015/2087(INL)) - JURI Committee - Rapporteur: Pavel Svoboda (A8-0206/2017)
- *** Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of a Framework Agreement between the European Union and Kosovo on the general principles for the participation of Kosovo in Union programmes (13391/2016 - C8-0491/2016 - 2013/0115(NLE)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Ulrike Lunacek (A8-0207/2017)
- Report with recommendations to the Commission on common minimum standards of civil procedure in the EU (2015/2084(INL)) - JURI Committee - Rapporteur: Emil Radev (A8-0210/2017)
- Report on European Standards – implementation of Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 (2016/2274 (INI)) - IMCO Committee - Rapporteur: Marlene Mizzi (A8-0213/2017)
- Report on a longer lifetime for products: benefits for consumers and companies (2016/2272(INI)) - IMCO Committee - Rapporteur: Pascal Durand (A8-0214/2017)
- * Report on the draft Council implementing decision approving the conclusion by Eurojust of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice and Eurojust (07536/2017 - C8-0136/2017 - 2017/0804(CNS)) - LIBE Committee - Rapporteur: Claude Moraes (A8-0215/2017)
- Report on a European Parliament recommendation to the Council concerning the 72nd session of the United Nations General Assembly (2017/2041(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Andrey Kovatchev (A8-0216/2017)
- Report on Towards an EU strategy for international cultural relations (JOIN(2016)0029 - 2016/2240(INI)) - AFET Committee - CULT Committee - Rapporteur: Elmar Brok - Rapporteur: Silvia Costa (A8-0220/2017)
- Report on the role of fisheries-related tourism in the diversification of fisheries (2016/2035(INI)) - PECH Committee - Rapporteur: Renata Briano (A8-0221/2017)
- Report on addressing human rights violations in the context of war crimes, and crimes against humanity, including genocide (2016/2239(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Cristian Dan Preda (A8-0222/2017)
- Report on working conditions and precarious employment (2016/2221(INI)) - EMPL Committee - Rapporteur: Neoklis Sylikiotis (A8-0224/2017)

- * Report on the proposal for a Council directive on Double Taxation Dispute Resolution Mechanisms in the European Union (COM(2016)0686 - C8-0035/2017 - 2016/0338(CNS)) - ECON Committee - Rapporteur: Michael Theurer (A8-0225/2017)

- Report on promoting cohesion and development in the Outermost Regions of the EU: the implementation of Article 349 TFEU (2016/2250(INI)) - REGI Committee - Rapporteur: Younous Omarjee (A8-0226/2017)

- ***I Report on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2013/34/EU as regards disclosure of income tax information by certain undertakings and branches (COM(2016)0198 - C8-0146/2016 - 2016/0107(COD)) - ECON Committee - JURI Committee - Rapporteur: Hugues Bayet - Rapporteur: Evelyn Regner (A8-0227/2017)

- Report on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 2/2017 of the European Union for the financial year 2017: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2016 (09437/2017 - C8-0190/2017 - 2017/2061(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Jens Geier (A8-0229/2017)

- *** Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Cuba, of the other part (12502/2016 - C8-0517/2016 - 2016/0298(NLE)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Elena Valenciano (A8-0232/2017)

- Report containing a motion for a non-legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Cuba, of the other part (2017/2036(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Elena Valenciano (A8-0233/2017)

- Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Turkey (2016/2308(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Kati Piri (A8-0234/2017)

- Report Towards a pan-European covered bonds framework (2017/2005(INI)) - ECON Committee - Rapporteur: Bernd Lucke (A8-0235/2017)

- *** Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer (07725/2017 - C8-0157/2017 - 2017/0016(NLE)) - ENVI Committee - Rapporteur: Kateřina Konečná (A8-0237/2017)

- Report on EU action for sustainability (COM(2016)0739 - 2017/2009(INI)) - ENVI Committee - Rapporteur: Seb Dance (A8-0239/2017)

- *** Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the acceptance on behalf of the European Union of an Amendment to the 1999 Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone (07524/2017 - C8-0143/2017 - 2013/0448(NLE)) - ENVI Committee - Rapporteur: Adina-Ioana Vălean (A8-0241/2017)

- Report on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (application from Spain

EGF/2017/001 ES/Castilla y León mining) (COM(2017)0266 - C8-0174/2017 - 2017/2079(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Monika Vana (A8-0248/2017)

- Report on the mandate for the trilogue on the 2018 draft budget (2017/2043(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Siegfried Mureşan (A8-0249/2017)

(2.2) recommendations for second reading

- ***II 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 the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law (06182/1/2017 - C8-0150/2017 - 2012/0193(COD)) - CONT Committee - LIBE Committee - Rapporteur: Ingeborg Gräßle - Rapporteur: Juan Fernando López Aguilar (A8-0230/2017)

15. Major interpellations (Rule 130b) (submission)

The following major interpellations for written answer with debate had been submitted (Rule 130b):

— (O-000029/2017) by Monika Smolková, Olga Sehnalová, Pavel Poc, Eric Andrieu, Hilde Vautmans, Brian Hayes, Lynn Boylan, Petras Auštrevičius, Karoline Graswander-Hainz, Alfred Sant, Petri Sarvamaa, Momchil Nekov, Bogusław Liberadzki, Marian Harkin, Stanislav Polčák, Boris Zala, Pirkko Ruohonen-Lerner, Matt Carthy, Martina Anderson, Liadh Ní Riada, Branislav Škripek, Bronis Ropė, Anna Záborská, Miroslav Mikolášik, Nessa Childers, Biljana Borzan, Jiří Pospíšil, Luke Ming Flanagan, Dubravka Šuica, Maria Arena, Vladimír Maňka, Ulrike Müller, Kateřina Konečná, Bart Staes, Pál Csáky, József Nagy, Annie Schreijer-Pierik, Norica Nicolai, Davor Škrlec, Martin Häusling, Sirpa Pietikäinen and Ivan Štefanec, to the Commission: Follow-up to the Brazilian meat imports scandal (2017/2735(RSP)) (B8-0317/2017)

— (O-000044/2017) by Beatrix von Storch, on behalf of the EFDD Group, to the Commission: EU Army (2017/2760(RSP)) (B8-0322/2017).

16. Questions for oral answer (submission)

The following questions for oral answer had been submitted by Members (Rule 128):

— (O-000045/2017) by Françoise Grossetête, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Urszula Krupa, Frédérique Ries, Kateřina Konečná, Martin Häusling, Piernicola Pedicini and Mireille D'Ornano, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: HIV, TB and HCV epidemics in Europe on the rise (2017/2576(RSP)) (B8-0321/2017);

— (O-000057/2017) by Bernd Lange, Daniel Caspary and David Martin, on behalf of the INTA Committee, to the Commission: Court of Justice ruling of 16 May 2017 on EU-Singapore FTA (2017/2739(RSP)) (B8-0323/2017);

— (O-000058/2017) by Sirpa Pietikäinen, Renata Briano, Mark Demesmaecker, Catherine Bearder, Anja Hazekamp, Keith Taylor and Eleonora Evi, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: Whale hunting in Norway (2017/2712 (RSP)) (B8-0324/2017).^o

17. Order of business

The final draft agenda for the July and 2017 sittings (PE 607.301/PDOJ) had been distributed and the following changes had been proposed (Rule 149a):

The President announced that a ceremony commemorating the life of Simone Veil would be held in the Chamber at noon the following day and proposed that the item 'Tribute to the Memory of Simone Veil' be entered on the agenda for Tuesday, before voting time. The President announced that he would attend Simone Veil's funeral in Paris on the Wednesday with Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the Commission, and Donald Tusk, President of the European Council. He therefore proposed that the first item on the agenda for Wednesday be modified to read: 'Council and Commission Statements on the preparation of the G20 Summit of 7 and 8 July 2017'.

Parliament approved the proposal.

Monday

Request from the ENF Group to enter as the first item on the agenda for Monday statements by the Council and the Commission on 'Frontex: alarming migration crisis off Spain's Mediterranean coast'.

The following spoke: Nicolas Bay, on behalf of the ENF Group, to present the request.

Parliament rejected the request.

Tuesday and Wednesday

No changes.

Thursday

Request from the GUE/NGL Group to enter as the second item on the agenda for Thursday, and following the joint debate on 'Marrakesh Treaty: access to works and other protected subject-matter for visually impaired persons' (*Items 42 and 41, PDOJ*), a statement by the Commission on the Oral Question 'Whale hunting in Norway', with the debate to be wound up with the tabling of motions for resolutions that would be put to the vote at the September part-session.

The following spoke: Anja Hazekamp, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, to present the request, Paul Rübzig, to request that the debate not be wound up with the tabling of motions for resolutions, and Anja Hazekamp, against that request.

Parliament approved the request from the GUE/NGL Group by RCV (166 for, 142 against, 16 abstentions).

The order of business was thus established.

IN THE CHAIR: Ioan Mircea PAȘCU
Vice-President

18. Macro-financial assistance to Moldova *I (debate)**

Report on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council providing macro-financial assistance to the Republic of Moldova [COM(2017)0014 - C8-0016/2017 - 2017/0007(COD)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Sorin Moisă (A8-0185/2017)

Sorin Moisă introduced the report.

The following spoke: Valdis Dombrovskis (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Petras Auštrevičius (rapporteur for the opinion of the AFET Committee), Siegfried Mureșan (rapporteur for the opinion of the BUDG Committee), who also replied to a blue-card question by Bernd Lucke, Daniel Caspary, on behalf of the PPE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Knut Fleckenstein, on behalf of the S&D Group, Hannu Takkula, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Helmut Scholz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Heidi Hautala, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Jonathan Arnott, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Edouard Ferrand, on behalf of the ENF Group, Eleftherios Synadinos, non-attached Member, Cristian Dan Preda, Andi Cristea, Notis Marias, Norica Nicolai, Igor Šoltes, Barbara Kappel, Nicola Caputo, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser and Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Theodor Dumitru Stolojan, Maria Grapini and Krisztina Morvai.

The following spoke: Valdis Dombrovskis and Sorin Moisă.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.9.*

19. European standards for the 21st century (debate)

Report on European standards for the 21st century [2016/2274(INI)] - Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection. Rapporteur: Marlene Mizzi (A8-0213/2017)

Marlene Mizzi introduced the report.

The following spoke: Hans-Olaf Henkel (rapporteur for the opinion of the ITRE Committee).

IN THE CHAIR: David-Maria SASSOLI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Elżbieta Bieńkowska (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Pavel Telička (rapporteur for the opinion of the TRAN Committee), Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz, on behalf of the PPE Group, Christel Schaldemose, on behalf of the S&D Group, Ruža Tomašić, on behalf of the ECR Group, Kaja Kallas, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Margot Parker, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Mylène Troszczynski, on behalf of the ENF Group, Andreas Schwab, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, Maria Grapini, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Nicola Danti, Maria Spyrali, Olga Sehnalová, Theodor Dumitru Stolojan and Jiří Pospíšil.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Nicola Caputo, Notis Marias and Davor Škrlec.

The following spoke: Elżbieta Bieńkowska and Marlene Mizzi.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.4.*

20. HIV, TB and HCV epidemics in Europe on the rise (debate)

Question for oral answer (O-000045/2017) by Françoise Grossetête, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Urszula Krupa, Frédérique Ries, Kateřina Konečná, Martin Häusling, Piernicola Pedicini and Mireille D'Ornano, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: HIV, TB and HCV epidemics in Europe on the rise (2017/2576(RSP))(B8-0321/2017)

Kateřina Konečná moved the question.

Vytėnis Povilas Andriukaitis (Member of the Commission) answered the question.

IN THE CHAIR: Ildikó GÁLL-PELCZ
Vice-President

The following spoke: Françoise Grossetête, on behalf of the PPE Group, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, on behalf of the S&D Group, Urszula Krupa, on behalf of the ECR Group, Gesine Meissner, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Margrete Auken, Julia Reid, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Mireille D'Ornano, on behalf of the ENF Group, Karin Kadenbach, Notis Marias, Merja Kyllönen, Piernicola Pedicini, Lampros Fountoulis, Annie Schreijer-Pierik, who also replied to a blue-card question by Liisa Jaakonsaari, Christel Schaldemose, Ruža Tomašić, Nikolaos Chountis, Cristian-Silviu Buşoi, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, João Ferreira, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Miriam Dalli and Paloma López Bermejo.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Seán Kelly, Nicola Caputo, Eleftherios Synadinos, Maria Grapini and Krisztina Morvai.

The following spoke: Vytėnis Povilas Andriukaitis.

Motion for a resolution to wind up the debate tabled under Rule 128(5):

— Françoise Grossetête, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Urszula Krupa, Frédérique Ries, Kateřina Konečná, Martin Häusling, Piernicola Pedicini et Mireille D'Ornano, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, on the EU's response to HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Hepatitis C (2017/2576 (RSP)) (B8-0436/2017).

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 5.7.2017, item 8.8.*

21. A longer lifetime for products: benefits for consumers and companies (short presentation)

Report on a longer lifetime for products: benefits for consumers and companies [2016/2272(INI)] - Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection. Rapporteur: Pascal Durand (A8-0214/2017)

Pascal Durand made the presentation.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Michaela Šojdrová, Olga Sehnalová, Notis Marias, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Marco Zullo, Csaba Sógor, Biljana Borzan, Krzysztof Hetman, Liisa Jaakonsaari and João Ferreira.

The following spoke: Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis (Member of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.13.*

22. Addressing human rights violations in the context of war crimes, and crimes against humanity, including genocide (short presentation)

Report on addressing human rights violations in the context of war crimes, and crimes against humanity, including genocide [2016/2239(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Cristian Dan Preda (A8-0222/2017)

Cristian Dan Preda made the presentation.

IN THE CHAIR: Bogusław LIBERADZKI
Vice-President

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Jiří Pospíšil, Julie Ward, Notis Marias, João Pimenta Lopes, Barbara Lochbihler, Georgios Epitideios, Michaela Šojdrová, Csaba Sógor and Stanislav Polčák.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.14.*

23. Composition of committees and delegations

The President had received the following request for an appointment from the PPE Group:

EMPL Committee: Constance Le Grip

The appointment would be deemed ratified if no objections were raised before the approval of these Minutes.

24. Private security companies (short presentation)

Report on private security companies [2016/2238(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Hilde Vautmans (A8-0191/2017)

Hilde Vautmans made the presentation.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Stanislav Polčák, Caterina Chinnici, Notis Marias, Eleftherios Synadinos and Maria Grapini.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.15.*

25. Working conditions and precarious employment (short presentation)

Report on working conditions and precarious employment [2016/2221(INI)] - Committee on Employment and Social Affairs. Rapporteur: Neoklis Sylikiotis (A8-0224/2017)

Neoklis Sylikiotis made the presentation.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Michaela Šojdrová, Julie Ward, Ruža Tomašić, Tania González Peñas and Georgios Epitideios.

The following spoke: Valdis Dombrovskis (Vice-President of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.16.*

26. Towards a pan-European covered bonds framework (short presentation)

Report Towards a pan-European covered bonds framework [2017/2005(INI)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Bernd Lucke (A8-0235/2017)

Bernd Lucke made the presentation.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Stanislav Polčák, Nicola Caputo and Notis Marias.

The following spoke: Valdis Dombrovskis (Vice-President of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.5.*

27. The role of fisheries-related tourism in the diversification of fisheries (short presentation)

Report on the role of fisheries-related tourism in the diversification of fisheries [2016/2035(INI)] - Committee on Fisheries. Rapporteur: Renata Briano (A8-0221/2017)

Renata Briano made the presentation.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Stanislav Polčák, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez, David Coburn, Ivan Jakovčić and João Ferreira.

The following spoke: Valdis Dombrovskis (Vice-President of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 4.7.2017, item 6.6.*

28. One-minute speeches on matters of political importance

In accordance with Rule 163, the following Members who wished to draw the attention of

Parliament to matters of political importance spoke for one minute:

Csaba Sógor, Miroslav Mikolášik, Maria Grapini, Julie Ward, Ruža Tomašić, Ivan Jakovčić, João Pimenta Lopes, Josep-Maria Terricabras, Gilles Lebreton, Sotirios Zarianopoulos, Stanislav Polčák, Momchil Nekov, Notis Marias, Marek Jurek, Jozo Radoš, Paloma López Bermejo, Jordi Solé, Michaela Šojdrová, Tonino Picula, Jasenko Selimovic, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Jiří Pospíšil, Nicola Caputo and Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu.

29. Agenda of the next sitting

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 607.301/OJMA).

30. Closure of the sitting

The sitting closed at 23.00.

Klaus Welle
Secretary-General

Bogusław Liberadzki
Vice-President

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

3.7.2017

Present:

Adaktusson, Adinolfi, Affronte, Agea, Agnew, Aguilera García, Aiuto, Aker, Albrecht, Ali, Alliot-Marie, Anderson Lucy, Anderson Martina, Andersson, Andrieu, Andrikienè, Androulakis, Annemans, Arnautu, Arnott, Ashworth, Atkinson, Auken, Auštrevičius, Ayala Sender, Ayuso, van Baalen, Bach, Balas, Balčytis, Balczó, Balz, Barekov, Batten, Bay, Bearder, Becerra Basterrechea, Belder, Bendtsen, Benifei, Benito Ziluaga, Bettini, Bilbao Barandica, Bilde, Bizzotto, Blanco López, Blinkevičiūtė, Bocskor, Böge, Bogovič, Bonafè, Boni, Borghezio, Borrelli, Borzan, Boștinaru, Boutonnet, Bové, Bresso, Briano, Briois, Brok, Buchner, Buda, Bullmann, Bușoi, Bütikofer, Buzek, Cabezón Ruiz, Cadec, Calvet Chambon, Campbell Bannerman, Caputo, Carthy, Carver, Casa, Caspary, Castaldo, del Castillo Vera, Cavada, Charanzová, Chauprade, Childers, Chinnici, Chountis, Christensen, Christoforou, Chrysogonos, Cicu, Ciocca, Cirio, Coburn, Coelho, Collin-Langen, Collins, Comi, Corbett, Cornillet, Corrao, Costa, Cozzolino, Cramer, Cristea, Csáky, Czarnecki, Czesak, van Dalen, Dalli, Dalton, D'Amato, Dance, Danti, De Castro, Delahaye, Deli, Delli, De Masi, Demesmaeker, De Monte, Denanot, Deprez, Deß, Deutsch, Diaconu, Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Dlabajová, Dodds, Dohrmann, Dorfmann, D'Ornano, Durand, Dzhambazki, Eck, Ehler, Elissen, Engel, Engström, Epitideios, Erdős, Ertug, Estaràs Ferragut, Etheridge, Evans, Evi, Fajon, Federley, Fernandes, Fernández, Ferrand, Ferrara, Ferreira, Finch, Fisas Ayxelà, Fjellner, Flack, Flanagan, Flašíková Beňová, Fleckenstein, Florenz, Fontana, Forenza, Foster, Fotyga, Fountoulis, Fox, Freund, Frunzuličá, Gabriel, Gahler, Gál, Gáll-Pelcz, Gambús, García Pérez, Gardiazabal Rubial, Gardini, Gasbarra, Gebhardt, Geier, Gentile, Gericke, Geringer de Oedenberg, Giegold, Gierek, Gieseke, Gill Neena, Gill Nathan, Girling, Giuffrida, Goddyn, Goerens, Gollnisch, Gomes, González Peñas, González Pons, Gosiewska, Grammatikakis, de Grandes Pascual, Grapini, Gräble, Graswander-Hainz, Griesbeck, Griffin, Grigule, Grossetête, Grzyb, Gualtieri, Guerrero Salom, Guillaume, Guoga, Guteland, Gutiérrez Prieto, Gyürk, Halla-aho, Händel, Hannan, Harkin, Harms, Häusling, Hautala, Hayes, Hazekamp, Hedh, Henkel, Herranz García, Hetman, Heubuch, Hoc, Hohlmeier, Hökmark, Hölvényi, Honeyball, Hookem, Hortefeux, Hübner, Hudghton, Huitema, Hyusmenova, in 't Veld, Iturgaiz, Ivan, Iwaszkiewicz, Jaakonsaari, Jäätteenmäki, Jadot, Jahr, Jakovčić, Jalkh, James, Jáuregui Atondo, Jávora, Jazłowiecka, Ježek, Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Jongerius, Joulaud, Juaristi Abaunz, Jurek, Kadenbach, Kaili, Kalinowski, Kallas, Kammerevert, Kappel, Karas, Kari, Kariņš, Karlsson, Karski, Kaufmann, Kefalogiannis, Kelam, Keller Jan, Kelly, Khan, Kłosowski, Koch, Kofod, Kohlíček, Kohn, Kölmel, Konečná, Korwin-Mikke, Kósa, Köster, Köstinger, Kouloglou, Kouroumbashev, Kovatchev, Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Krasnodebski, Krehl, Krupa, Kudrycka, Kuhn, Kukan, Kumpula-Natri, Kuneva, Kuźmiuk, Kyllönen, Kyrkos, Kyrtos, Kyuchyuk, Lalonde, Lamassoure, Lambert, Langen, Lauristin, Lavrilleux, Lebreton, Legutko, Le Hyaric, Leinen, Lenaers, Lewandowski, Liberadzki, Liese, Lietz, Lins, Lochbihler, Loiseau, Løkkegaard, Loones, Lope Fontagné, López Bermejo, López-Istúriz White, Lösing, Lucke, Ludvigsson, Łukacijewska, Lunacek, Łybacka, McAllister, McAvan, McGuinness, Mach, McIntyre, Macovei, Maletić, Malinov, Maltese, Mamikins, Maňka, Mann, Manscour, Marcellesi, Marias, Marinescu, Marinho e Pinto, Martin David, Martin Dominique, Martin Edouard, Martusciello, Marusik, Mašťálka, Matias, Mato, Matthews, Maullu, Maurel, Mavrides, Mayer Georg, Mayer Alex,

Mazuronis, Meissner, Mélin, Melior, Melo, Meszerics, Metsola, Michels, Mihaylova, Mikolášik, van Miltenburg, Mineur, Mizzi, Mlinar, Moi, Moisa, Molnár, Monot, Montel, Moraes, Morgano, Morin-Chartier, Morvai, Müller, Mureşan, Muselier, Negrescu, Nekov, Neuser, Nica, Nicholson, Nicolai, Niedermayer, Niedermüller, van Nieuwenhuizen, Nilsson, Ní Riada, Noichl, Novakov, Nuttall, Obermayr, O'Flynn, Olbrycht, Omarjee, Ozóg, Pabriks, Paet, Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Paksas, Panzeri, Papadakis Demetris, Papadakis Konstantinos, Papadimoulis, Parker, Paşcu, Pavel, Pedicini, Petersen, Petir, Picierno, Picula, Piecha, Pieper, Pietikäinen, Pimenta Lopes, Piotrowski, Piri, Pirinski, Pitera, Pittella, Plura, Poc, Pogliese, Polčák, Ponga, Poręba, Pospíšil, Post, Preda, Preuß, Proust, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Radev, Radoš, Rangel, Rebega, Reding, Regner, Reid, Reimon, Reintke, Revault D'Allonnes Bonnefoy, Ribeiro, Riquet, Rivasi, Rochefort, Rodrigues Liliana, Rodrigues Maria João, Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Rodust, Rohde, Rolin, Ropè, Rosati, Rozière, Ruas, Rübige, Ruohonen-Lerner, Saïfi, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Salini, Salvini, Sánchez Caldentey, Sander, Sant, dos Santos, Sârbu, Sargentini, Sarvamaa, Saryusz-Wolski, Sassoli, Saudargas, Schaffhauser, Schaldemose, Schlein, Schmidt, Scholz, Schöpflin, Schreijer-Pierik, Schulze, Schuster, Schwab, Scott Cato, Sehnalová, Selimovic, Senra Rodríguez, Sernagiotto, Serrão Santos, Seymour, Siekierski, Silva Pereira, Simon Peter, Sippel, Škripek, Škrlec, Smith, Smolková, Sógor, Šojdrová, Solé, Šoltes, Sommer, Sonneborn, Spinelli, Spyra, Staes, Stanishev, Starbatty, Štefanec, Steinruck, Štětina, Stevens, Stihler, Stolojan, von Storch, Stuger, Šuica, Sulík, Šulin, Svoboda, Swinburne, Sylikiotis, Synadinos, Szájer, Szanyi, Szejnfeld, Tajani, Takkula, Tamburrano, Tănăsescu, Tannock, Ţapardel, Tarabella, Tarand, Taylor, Telička, Terricabras, Theocharous, Theurer, Thomas, Thun und Hohenstein, Toia, Tóké, Tolić, Tomaševski, Tomašić, Tomc, Toom, Torres Martínez, Torvalds, Tošenovský, Trebesius, Tremosa i Balcells, Troszczynski, Trüpel, Ţurcanu, Ujazdowski, Ujhelyi, Ulvskog, Ungureanu, Urbán Crespo, Urutchev, Uspaskich, Vaidere, Vajgl, Valcárcel Siso, Vălean, Valero, Valli, Vana, Van Bossuyt, Van Brempt, Vandenkendelaere, Van Orden, Vaughan, Vautmans, Väyrynen, Vergiat, Verheyen, Viegas, Vilimsky, Virkkunen, Vistisen, Voigt, Voss, Vozemberg-Vrionidi, Wałęsa, Ward, Weber Renate, Weidenholzer, von Weizsäcker, Wenta, Werner, Wieland, Wierinck, Willmott, Winberg, Winkler Hermann, Winkler Iuliu, Wiśniewska, Wölken, Woolfe, Záborská, Zagorakis, Zahradil, Zala, Zanonato, Zarianopoulos, Ždanoka, Zdechovský, Zdrojewski, Zeller, Zemke, Zijlstra, Zile, Zimmer, Zlotowski, Zoffoli, Zólte, Zorrinho, Zovko, Zullo, Zver, Zwiefka

Excused:

Becker, Bours, Cofferati, Crowley, Eickhout, Faria, Kirton-Darling, La Via, Le Pen, Matera, Maydell, Mosca, Mussolini, Punset, Žitňanská