Amendment 1
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on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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## Motion for a resolution Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas citizens should, in particular, be made aware that – as recognised by the European Ombudsman in the decision of December 2009 closing the inquiry into complaint 822/2009/BU against the Commission – national court proceedings are part of the process of implementing European legislation in the Member States, and that the Committee on Petitions cannot deal with issues subject to national court proceedings or review the outcome of such proceedings,

## Amendment

K. whereas citizens should, in particular, be made aware that – as recognised by the European Ombudsman in the decision of December 2009 closing the inquiry into complaint 822/2009/BU against the Commission – national court proceedings are part of the process of implementing European legislation in the Member States, and that the Committee on Petitions cannot revoke decisions by national courts – which does not exclude infringement proceedings brought by the European Commission against decisions which violate EU law,

Or. en

Amendment 2
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Motion for a resolution Recital K a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ka. whereas the high costs of court procedures, particularly in some Member States, can constitute an obstacle for citizens and might actually prevent them from bringing actions before the competent national courts when they consider that national authorities have not respected their rights under EU law,

Or en

Amendment 3
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Is particularly satisfied with cases where the petitions process has yielded successful outcomes, such as the preservation of the Ferme du Casino in Guérande<sup>1</sup> as an example of an area protected under the Natura 2000 network where environmental, social, economic and cultural interests reinforce each other; welcomes also the decision by the authorities in Valencia not to authorise the development plans for Parcent, as a reflection of the principle that urban development projects need to have assured water resources and must be environmentally sustainable;

Or. en

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The petition concerned was No 551/2008 by the Union of Salt Marsh Workers.

Amendment 4
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Welcomes the Commission's efforts to develop alternative means of promoting better implementation of European legislation, and the positive attitude of certain Member States which take the necessary steps to correct breaches at the early stages of the implementation process;

## Amendment

25. Welcomes the Commission's efforts to develop alternative means of promoting better implementation of European legislation, and the positive attitude of certain Member States which take the necessary steps to correct breaches at the early stages of the implementation process; underlines, however, that alternative means of addressing infringements cannot substitute for the Commission's responsibilities under the Treaties and must fully respect the rights of complainants as laid down in Communication 2002/141;

Or. en

Amendment 5
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Welcomes the approval of Parliament's new Rules of Procedure and the revision of the provisions related to the management of petitions; encourages the work of the Secretariat and political group representatives on a revised guide for Members to the rules and internal procedures of the Committee on Petitions, as such a document will not only assist Members in their work, but will also further increase the transparency of the petitions process;

## Amendment

37. Welcomes the approval of Parliament's new Rules of Procedure and the revision of the provisions related to the management of petitions; notes the revised guidelines on the internal procedures of the Committee, which provide helpful clarification on its functioning, and encourages the Secretariat and political group representatives to continue to work to improve procedures which further increase the efficiency and transparency of the petitions process;

Or. en