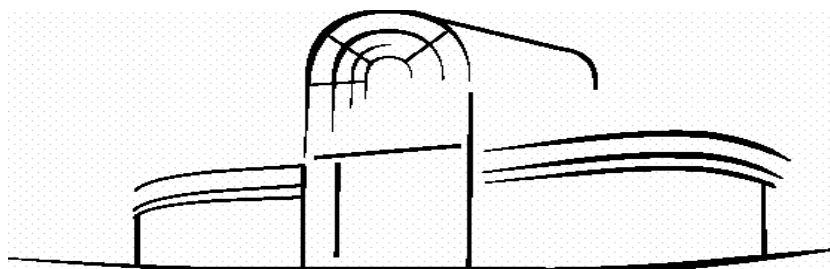


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ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

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

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR POLITICAL GROUPS

PPE-DE	Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats
PSE	Socialist Group in the European Parliament
ALDE	Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
UEN	Union for Europe of the Nations Group
Vers/ALE	Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance
GUE/NGL	Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left
IND/DEM	Independence and Democracy Group
NI	Non-attached Members

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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

2008 - 2009 SESSION

Sittings of 4 and 5 June 2008

BRUSSELS

MINUTES

IN THE CHAIR: Hans-Gert PÖTTERING
President

1. Resumption of the session

The sitting opened at 15.00.

2. Statement by the President

The President made a statement to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the formation of the Lithuanian independence movement, Sąjūdis, which had laid the foundations for the re-establishment of Lithuania's independence.

He also mentioned the Green Weeks that would be held in Brussels, Luxembourg and Strasbourg and drew attention to Parliament's undertakings to reduce CO₂ emissions.

3. Welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation of Bulgarian Orthodox clergy - led by the Metropolitan Galaktion of Stara Zagora - who had taken their seats in the distinguished visitors' gallery.

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On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed the winners of the Charlemagne European Youth Prize, who had taken their seats in the distinguished visitors' gallery.

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On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation from the Parliament of Navarre - led by its President, Elena Torres Miranda - who had taken their seats in the distinguished visitors' gallery.

4. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

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The following spoke: Paul Rübig on the Energy Globe Awards.

5. Composition of Parliament

The Italian authorities had given notice of the appointment of Elisabetta Gardini to replace Renato Brunetta and Giovanni Robusti to replace Umberto Bossi as Members of Parliament with effect from 30.05.2008.

The Greek authorities had given notice of the appointment of Kostantinos Droutsas to replace Diamanto Manolakou as Member of Parliament with effect from 03.06.2008.

In accordance with Rule 3(2), as their credentials had not been verified or a ruling given on any dispute, Elisabetta Gardini, Giovanni Robusti and Kostantinos Droutsas would take their seats in the European Parliament and its bodies and enjoy all the rights attaching thereto, provided that they had previously signed the declaration that they did not hold any office incompatible with that of Member of the European Parliament.

6. Request for the defence of parliamentary immunity

Renato Brunetta, a former Member of the European Parliament, had addressed a request for defence of his privileges and immunities to the President, in relation to legal proceedings pending in Florence.

Under Rule 6(3), the request had been referred to the committee responsible, the JURI Committee.

7. Composition of committees and delegations

The President had received requests for the following appointments from the PPE-DE, PSE, ALDE and GUE-NGL Groups:

- AGRI Committee: Konstantinos Droutsas
- IMCO Committee: Sirpa Pietikäinen
- Delegation to the EU-Armenia, EU-Azerbaijan and EU-Georgia Parliamentary Cooperation Committees: Konstantinos Droutsas
- ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly: Juan Fraile Cantón to replace María Sornosa Martínez
- Delegation to the Euromediterranean Joint Parliamentary Assembly: Marian-Jean Marinescu, Metin Kazak, Konstantinos Droutsas
- Delegation for relations with the countries of Central America: María Sornosa Martínez to replace Maria Badia i Cutchet
- Delegation for relations with Japan: Martí Grau i Segú
- LIBE Committee: Sebastiano Sanzarelli

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

8. Corrigenda (Rule 204a)

The committees responsible had forwarded the following corrigenda to the texts adopted by the European Parliament:

- Corrigendum to the position of the European Parliament adopted at first reading on 21 February 2008 with a view to the adoption of Decision No .../2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on a common framework for the marketing of products – P6_TA-PROV(2008)0062 - (COM(2007)0053 – C6-0067/2007 – 2007/0030(COD)) - IMCO

- Corrigendum to the position of the European Parliament adopted at first reading on 10 April 2008 with a view to the adoption of Decision No .../2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation by the Community in a research and development programme aimed at supporting research and development performing SMEs undertaken by several Member States – P6_TA-PROV(2008)0116 - (COM(2007)0514 – C6-0281/2007 – 2007/0188(COD)) - ITRE

Pursuant to Rule 204a, these corrigenda would be deemed approved unless, within 48 hours, a request was made by a political group or at least 40 Members that they be put to the vote.

The corrigenda were available on the *Séance en direct* site.

9. Texts of agreements forwarded by the Council

The Council had forwarded certified true copies of the following:

- Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Australia on certain aspects of air services;

- Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union;

- Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau for the period 16 June 2007 to 15 June 2011;

- Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau for the period 16 June 2007 to 15 June 2011;

- Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a framework agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes;

- Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community on the one hand, and the Republic of Kiribati, on the other.

10. Documents received

The following documents had been received:

1) from the Council and Commission

Committee - Rapporteur: Neil Parish (A6-0170/2008)

- * Report on the initiative by the Federal Republic of Germany with a view to the adoption of a Council decision on a contact-point network against corruption (11231/2007 - C6-0240/2007 - 2007/0809(CNS)) - LIBE Committee - Rapporteur: Hubert Pirker (A6-0174/2008)

- Report on the work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly in 2007 (2007/2180(INI)) - DEVE Committee - Rapporteur: Alain Hutchinson (A6-0175/2008)

- Report on the future for young farmers under the ongoing reform of the CAP (2007/2194(INI)) - AGRI Committee - Rapporteur: Donato Tommaso Veraldi (A6-0182/2008)

- * Report on the proposal for a Council regulation on the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems in the high seas from the adverse impacts of bottom fishing gears (COM(2007)0605 - C6-0453/2007 - 2007/0224(CNS)) - PECH Committee - Rapporteur: Duarte Freitas (A6-0183/2008)

- Report on implementing trade policy through efficient import and export rules and procedures (2007/2256(INI)) - INTA Committee - Rapporteur: Jean-Pierre Audy (A6-0184/2008)

- Report on Competition: Sector inquiry on retail banking (COM(2007)0033 - 2007/2201(INI)) - ECON Committee - Rapporteur: Gianni Pittella (A6-0185/2008)

- Report on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP (2008/2003(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Helmut Kuhne (A6-0186/2008)

- Report on the Green Paper on retail financial services in the single market (COM(2007)0226 - 2007/2287(INI)) - ECON Committee - Rapporteur: Othmar Karas (A6-0187/2008)

- Report on the annual report from the Council to the European Parliament on the main aspects and basic choices of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) presented to the European Parliament in application of point G, paragraph 43 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 - 2006 (2007/2219(INI)) - AFET Committee - Rapporteur: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski (A6-0189/2008)

- * Report on the proposal for a Council regulation establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (COM(2007)0602 - C6-0454/2007 - 2007/0223(CNS)) - PECH Committee - Rapporteur: Marie-Hélène Aubert (A6-0193/2008)

- * Report on the proposal for a Council regulation applying a scheme of generalised tariff preferences for the period from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011 and amending Regulations (EC) No 552/97, No 1933/2006 and Commission Regulations (EC) No 964/2007 and No 1100/2006 (COM(2007)0857 - C6-0051/2008 - 2007/0289(CNS)) - INTA Committee - Rapporteur: Helmuth Markov (A6-0200/2008)

- Report on Draft amending budget n° 4/2008 of the European Union for the financial year 2008 - Section III - Commission (2008/2094(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Kyösti Virrankoski (A6-0203/2008)

- Report on Draft amending budget n° 3 of the European Union for the financial year 2008 - Section III - Commission (2008/2095(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Kyösti Virrankoski (A6-0204/2008)

- Report on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund in application of point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management (COM(2008)0200 - C6-0164/2008 - 2008/2091(ACI)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Reimer Böge (A6-0205/2008)

3) from Members

3.1) motions for resolutions (Rule 113)

- Salvador Garriga Polledo. Motion for a resolution on a European Virtual Library (B6-0282/2008)
referred to responsible : CULT

11. Oral questions and written declarations (submission)

The following documents had been submitted by Members:

1) oral questions (Rule 108):

- (O-0060/2008) by Giles Chichester and Angelika Niebler, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, to the Commission: ENISA (B6-0159/2008)

- (O-0062/2008) by Anna Záborská, on behalf of the FEMM Committee, to the Commission: Forced prostitution and trafficking in women for the purpose of sexual exploitation (B6-0160/2008).

2) written declarations for inclusion in the register (Rule 116):

- Jana Bobošíková, on the impact of the policy of replacing fuels with biofuels on the increase in food prices in developing countries (0049/2008);

- Marusya Ivanova Lyubcheva, Zita Gurmai, Diana Wallis, Eva-Britt Svensson and Anna Záborská, on combating the trafficking of children (0050/2008);

- Riccardo Ventre, on promoting policies to foster integration of the Roma community in the European Union (0051/2008).

12. Lapsed written declarations

In accordance with Rule 116(5), written declarations 11, 14 and 16/2008 lapsed as they had not obtained the required number of signatures.

13. Order of business

The next item was the order of business.

The final draft agenda of the June I plenary sittings (PE 407.428/PDOJ) had been distributed. The following amendment had been proposed (Rule 132):

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Wednesday

With the agreement of all the political groups, to ensure that the Commissioner responsible was present, the debates on the Aubert report (*item 15 of the final draft agenda*) and the Freitas report

(item 16 of the final draft agenda) were placed after the joint debate on competition and retail financial services (items 10 and 11 of the final draft agenda).

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- no changes

The order of business was thus established.

14. Deterioration of the situation in Georgia (motions for resolutions tabled)

The debate had been held on 07.05.2008 (*minutes of 07.05.2008, item 12*).

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

- Marie Anne Isler Béguin and Cem Özdemir, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Georgia (B6-0278/2008)

- Georgs Andrejevs and Frédérique Ries, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on the situation in Georgia (B6-0287/2008)

- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Charles Tannock, Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, Elmar Brok, Árpád Duka-Zólyomi, Urszula Gacek, Michael Gahler, Ria Oomen-Ruijten and Corien Wortmann-Kool, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the situation in Georgia (B6-0289/2008)

- Jan Marinus Wiersma, Hannes Swoboda and Adrian Severin, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the situation in Georgia (B6-0290/2008)

- Konrad Szymański, Adam Bielan, Ryszard Czarnecki, Wojciech Roszkowski, Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka, Inese Vaidere and Gintaras Didžiokas, on behalf of the UEN Group, on the situation in Georgia (B6-0293/2008)

- André Brie, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on Georgia (B6-0294/2008)

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.13*.

15. 2006 Annual report on the CFSP - Annual report on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP (debate)

Report: on the annual report from the Council to the European Parliament on the main aspects and basic choices of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) presented to the European Parliament in application of point G, paragraph 43 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 - 2006 [2007/2219(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski (A6-0189/2008)

Report: on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP [2008/2003(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Helmut Kuhne (A6-0186/2008)

Jacek Saryusz-Wolski and Helmut Kuhne introduced the reports.

The following spoke: Javier Solana (High Representative for CFSP) and Günter Verheugen (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Joseph Daul, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Hannes Swoboda, on behalf of

the PSE Group, Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Angelika Beer, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Brian Crowley, on behalf of the UEN Group, Tobias Pflüger, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, and Gerard Batten, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Alejo VIDAL-QUADRAS
Vice-President

The following spoke: Irena Belohorská, Non-attached Member, Javier Solana, Karl von Wogau, Jan Marinus Wiersma and István Szent-Iványi

16. Welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed in relation to the European Neighbourhood Policy, parliamentary delegations from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine, representatives of the Belarusian democratic opposition and a delegation from Georgia led by Nino Burjanadze, Speaker of the Parliament of Georgia, who had taken their seats in the distinguished visitors' gallery.

17. 2006 Annual report on the CFSP - Annual report on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP (continuation of debate)

Report: on the annual report from the Council to the European Parliament on the main aspects and basic choices of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) presented to the European Parliament in application of point G, paragraph 43 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 - 2006 [2007/2219(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski (A6-0189/2008)

Report: on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP [2008/2003(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Helmut Kuhne (A6-0186/2008)

The following spoke: Marie Anne Isler Béguin, Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka, Willy Meyer Pleite, Hélène Goudin, Roger Helmer and José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra

18. Welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation from the Japanese Parliament - led by Nakayama Taro - who had taken their seats in the distinguished visitors' gallery.

19. 2006 Annual report on the CFSP - Annual report on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP (continuation of debate)

Report: on the annual report from the Council to the European Parliament on the main aspects and basic choices of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) presented to the European Parliament in application of point G, paragraph 43 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 - 2006 [2007/2219(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski (A6-0189/2008)

Report: on the implementation of the European Security Strategy and ESDP [2008/2003(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Helmut Kuhne (A6-0186/2008)

The following spoke: Ana Maria Gomes, Andrew Duff, Mario Borghezio, Athanasios Pafilis, Sylwester Chruszcz, Tunne Kelam, Adrian Severin, Paweł Bartłomiej Piskorski, Andrzej Tomasz Zapałowski, Francisco José Millán Mon, Justas Vincas Paleckis, Anneli Jäätteenmäki and Miroslav Mikolášik.

IN THE CHAIR: Edward McMILLAN-SCOTT
Vice-President

The following spoke: Ioan Mircea Paşcu and Colm Burke.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Anna Záborská, Hubert Pirker, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, Monika Beňová, Miloslav Ransdorf, Mieczysław Edmund Janowski and Csaba Sógor.

The following spoke: Günter Verheugen, Javier Solana, Jacek Saryusz-Wolski and Helmut Kuhne.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.14 and minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.15.*

20. EU-United States summit (debate)

Council and Commission statements: EU-United States summit

Dimitrij Rupel (President-in-Office of the Council) and Günter Verheugen (Vice-President of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: James Elles, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Jan Marinus Wiersma, on behalf of the PSE Group, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Cem Özdemir, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Brian Crowley, on behalf of the UEN Group, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Philip Claeys, Non-attached Member, and Elmar Brok.

IN THE CHAIR: Mario MAURO
Vice-President

The following spoke: Libor Rouček, Sophia in 't Veld, Mirosław Mariusz Piotrowski, Jana Bobošíková, Jerzy Buzek, Ana Maria Gomes, Dariusz Maciej Grabowski, Dushana Zdravkova, Helmut Kuhne, Atanas Papanizov, Peter Skinner and Corina Creţu.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Zita Pleštinská and Theodor Dumitru Stolojan.

The following spoke: Dimitrij Rupel and Günter Verheugen.

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

- Jan Marinus Wiersma, Hannes Swoboda, Véronique De Keyser and Benoît Hamon, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the EU-United States summit (B6-0277/2008)
- Pierre Jonckheer, Cem Özdemir, Angelika Beer and Kathalijne Maria Buitenweg, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the EU-United States summit (B6-0279/2008)
- Cristiana Muscardini, Adam Bielan, Ryszard Czarnecki, Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka and Konrad Szymański, on behalf of the UEN Group, on transatlantic relations (B6-0280/2008)
- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Stefano Zappalà, Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, Karl von Wogau, Elmar Brok and Jonathan Evans, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the EU-United States summit (B6-0283/2008)

- Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Alexander Lambsdorff and Anneli Jäätteenmäki, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on EU-US relations (B6-0284/2008)

- André Brie, Tobias Pflüger and Esko Seppänen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the EU-United States Summit (B6-0292/2008)

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.16.*

21. One-minute speeches on matters of political importance

Pursuant to Rule 144, the following Members who wished to draw the attention of Parliament to matters of political importance spoke for one minute:

Emmanouil Angelakas, Marusya Ivanova Lyubcheva, Cristian Silviu Buşoi, Milan Horáček, Dariusz Maciej Grabowski, Věra Flasarová, Urszula Krupa, Irena Belohorská, Petya Stavreva, Iliana Malinova Iotova, Marios Matsakis, Willy Meyer Pleite, Gerard Batten, Jim Allister, Jim Higgins, Cătălin-Ioan Nechifor, Marco Cappato and Georgios Toussas.

IN THE CHAIR: Luigi COCILOVO
Vice-President

The following spoke: Péter Olajos, Neena Gill, Danutė Budreikaitė, Pedro Guerreiro, Zuzana Roithová, Rovana Plumb, Ilda Figueiredo, Mairead McGuinness, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi and Silvia-Adriana Țicău.

22. Generalised tariff preferences for the period from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011 * (debate)

Report: on the proposal for a Council regulation applying a scheme of generalised tariff preferences for the period from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011 and amending Regulations (EC) No 552/97, No 1933/2006 and Commission Regulations (EC) No 964/2007 and No 1100/2006 [COM (2007)0857 - C6-0051/2008 - 2007/0289(CNS)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Helmuth Markov (A6-0200/2008)

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes (Member of the Commission)

Helmuth Markov introduced the report.

The following spoke: Filip Kaczmarek (draftsman of the opinion of the DEVE Committee), Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Kader Arif, on behalf of the PSE Group, Seán Ó Neachtain, on behalf of the UEN Group, Derek Roland Clark, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Daniel Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Erika Mann, Christofer Fjellner, Francisco Assis and Syed Kamall.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Zuzana Roithová and Ewa Tomaszewska.

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes and Helmuth Markov.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.12.*

23. The work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly in 2007 (debate)

Report: on the work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly in 2007 [2007/2180(INI)] - Committee on Development. Rapporteur: Alain Hutchinson (A6-0175/2008)

Alain Hutchinson introduced the report.

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes (Member of the Commission).

IN THE CHAIR: Manuel António dos SANTOS
Vice-President

The following spoke: Filip Kaczmarek, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Marie-Arlette Carlotti, on behalf of the PSE Group, Juan Fraile Cantón and Alessandro Battilocchio.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Ewa Tomaszewska

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes and Alain Hutchinson.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.19.*

24. Competition: Sector inquiry on retail banking - Retail Financial Services in the Single Market (debate)

Report: on Competition: Sector inquiry on retail banking [2007/2201(INI)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Gianni Pittella (A6-0185/2008)

Report: on the Green Paper on retail financial services in the single market [2007/2287(INI)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Othmar Karas (A6-0187/2008)

Gianni Pittella and Othmar Karas introduced the reports.

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes and Charlie McCreevy (Members of the Commission).

The following spoke: Zuzana Roithová, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Antolín Sánchez Presedo, on behalf of the PSE Group, Margarita Starkevičiūtė, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Roberto Fiore, Harald Ettl and Wolf Klinz.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Mairead McGuinness.

The following spoke: Neelie Kroes, Charlie McCreevy, Gianni Pittella and Othmar Karas.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.20 and minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.21.*

IN THE CHAIR: Diana WALLIS
Vice-President

25. Community system against illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing * (debate)

Report: on the proposal for a Council regulation establishing a Community system to prevent, deter

and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing [COM(2007)0602 - C6-0454/2007 - 2007/0223(CNS)] - Committee on Fisheries. Rapporteur: Marie-Hélène Aubert (A6-0193/2008)

The following spoke: Joe Borg (Member of the Commission)

Marie-Hélène Aubert introduced the report.

The following spoke: Daniel Varela Suanzes-Carpegna (draftsman of the opinion of the INTA Committee), Ioannis Gklavakis, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Luis Manuel Capoulas Santos, on behalf of the PSE Group, Elspeth Attwooll, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Ian Hudghton, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Pedro Guerreiro, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Hélène Goudin, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Jim Allister, Non-attached Member, Carmen Fraga Estévez, Stavros Arnaoutakis, Zdzisław Kazimierz Chmielewski, Avril Doyle, Iles Braghetto and Petya Stavreva.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Mairead McGuinness, Paulo Casaca and Avril Doyle

The following spoke: Joe Borg and Marie-Hélène Aubert.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.5.*

26. Protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems * (debate)

Report: on the proposal for a Council regulation on the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems in the high seas from the adverse impacts of bottom fishing gears [COM(2007)0605 - C6-0453/2007 - 2007/0224(CNS)] - Committee on Fisheries. Rapporteur: Duarte Freitas (A6-0183/2008)

The following spoke: Joe Borg (Member of the Commission).

Duarte Freitas introduced the report.

The following spoke: Marios Matsakis (draftsman of the opinion of the ENVI Committee), Carmen Fraga Estévez, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Paulo Casaca, on behalf of the PSE Group, Josu Ortuondo Larrea, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Seán Ó Neachtain, on behalf of the UEN Group, and Pedro Guerreiro, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Avril Doyle, Marios Matsakis and Zdzisław Kazimierz Chmielewski.

The following spoke: Joe Borg and Duarte Freitas.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.6.*

IN THE CHAIR: Rodi KRATSA-TSAGAROPOULOU
Vice-President

27. Implementing trade policy through efficient import and export rules and procedures (debate)

Report: on implementing trade policy through efficient import and export rules and procedures

[2007/2256(INI)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Jean-Pierre Audy (A6-0184/2008)

Jean-Pierre Audy introduced the report.

The following spoke: László Kovács (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Zuzana Roithová, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Francisco Assis, on behalf of the PSE Group, Zbigniew Krzysztof Kuźmiuk, on behalf of the UEN Group, Jean-Claude Martinez, Non-attached Member, and Marusya Ivanova Lyubcheva.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Zuzana Roithová.

The following spoke: László Kovács and Jean-Pierre Audy.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 05.06.2008, item 6.7.*

28. Forced prostitution and trafficking in women for the purpose of sexual exploitation (debate)

Oral question (O-0062/2008) by Anna Záborská, on behalf of the FEMM Committee, to the Commission: Forced prostitution and trafficking in women for the purpose of sexual exploitation (B6-0160/2008)

Corien Wortmann-Kool (deputising for the author) moved the oral question.

László Kovács (Member of the Commission) answered the oral question.

The following spoke: Manolis Mavrommatis, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Lissy Gröner, on behalf of the PSE Group, Siiri Oviir, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Hiltrud Breyer, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Eva-Britt Svensson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Ivo Belet, Christa Prets, Milan Horáček, Ilda Figueiredo, Emine Bozkurt, Anna Hedh and Gabriela Crețu.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Zita Pleštinská and Britta Thomsen.

The following spoke: László Kovács.

The debate closed.

29. Declaration of financial interests

The following Members had not yet updated their declaration of financial interests for 2007 in accordance with Annex I, Article 2(5) to the Rules of Procedure:

Jean-Luc Bennahmias, Graham Booth, Małgorzata Handzlik, Kurt Lechner, Britta Thomsen and John Whittaker.

30. Agenda of the next sitting

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 407.428/OJ).

31. Closure of the sitting

The sitting closed at 23.45.

Harald Rømer
Secretary-General

Hans-Gert Pöttering
President

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

4.6.2008

The following signed:

Adamou, Agnoletto, Albertini, Allister, Andersson, Andrejevs, Andrikienė, Angelakas, Angelilli, Arif, Arnaoutakis, Ashworth, Assis, Atkins, Attwooll, Aubert, Audy, Ayala Sender, Aylward, Ayuso, Baco, Badia i Cutchet, Baeva, Barón Crespo, Barsi-Pataky, Batten, Battilocchio, Batzeli, Bauer, Beaupuy, Becsey, Beer, Belder, Belet, Belohorská, Bennahmias, Beňová, Berend, Berès, Berlato, Berlinguer, Binev, Birutis, Blokland, Bloom, Bobošíková, Böge, Bösch, Bono, Booth, Boursier, Bourzai, Bowis, Bowles, Bozkurt, Bradbourn, Braghetto, Brejc, Brepoels, Breyer, Březina, Brie, Brok, Budreikaitė, Bullmann, Bulzesc, van den Burg, Burke, Bushill-Matthews, Busk, Buşoi, Busquin, Busuttil, Buzek, Cabrnach, Callanan, Camre, Capoulas Santos, Cappato, Carlotti, Carlshamre, Carnero González, Carollo, Casa, Casaca, Cashman, Casini, Caspary, Castex, Catania, Cavada, Cederschiöld, Cercas, Chatzimarkakis, Chichester, Chiesa, Chmielewski, Chruszcz, Claeys, Clark, Cocilovo, Coelho, Cohn-Bendit, Corbett, Corda, Corlăţean, Paolo Costa, Cottigny, Cramer, Cremers, Corina Creţu, Gabriela Creţu, Crowley, Csibi, Marek Aleksander Czarnecki, Daul, David, Davies, De Blasio, Degutis, Dehaene, De Keyser, De Michelis, Deprez, De Sarnez, Désir, Deva, De Veyrac, Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Dičkutė, Didžiokas, Dillen, Dimitrakopoulos, Dombrovskis, Donnici, Doorn, Douay, Dover, Doyle, Drčar Murko, Droutsas, Duchoň, Dührkop Dührkop, Duff, Duka-Zólyomi, Dumitriu, Ebner, Ehler, Ek, El Khadraoui, Elles, Esteves, Estrela, Ettl, Jill Evans, Robert Evans, Färm, Falbr, Farage, Fatuzzo, Fava, Fazakas, Ferber, Fernandes, Fernández Martín, Ferrari, Anne Ferreira, Elisa Ferreira, Figueiredo, Filip, Fiore, Flasarová, Florenz, Foglietta, Foltyn-Kubicka, Fontaine, Ford, Fouré, Fourtou, Fraga Estévez, Fraile Cantón, França, Frassoni, Freitas, Friedrich, Gacek, Gahler, Gál, Gaľa, Galeote, Garcés Ramón, García Pérez, Gargani, Garriga Polledo, Gaubert, Gauzès, Gawronski, Gentvilas, Georgiou, Geringer de Oedenberg, Gibault, Giertych, Gill, Gklavakis, Glattfelder, Goebbels, Golik, Gollnisch, Gomes, Gomolka, Gottardi, Goudin, Grabowska, Grabowski, Graça Moura, Graefe zu Baringdorf, Gräßle, de Grandes Pascual, Grau i Segú, Gröner, de Groen-Kouwenhoven, Groote, Grosch, Grossetête, Gruber, Guardans Cambó, Guerreiro, Guidoni, Gurmai, Gutiérrez-Cortines, Guy-Quint, Gyürk, Hänsch, Hall, Hammerstein, Handzlik, Harangozó, Harbour, Harkin, Hassi, Hedh, Hegyi, Hénin, Hennicot-Schoepges, Hennis-Plasschaert, Herczog, Herranz García, Herrero-Tejedor, Hieronymi, Higgins, Holm, Honeyball, Hoppenstedt, Horáček, Howitt, Hudacký, Hudghton, Hughes, Hutchinson, Hybášková, Hyusmenova, in 't Veld, Irujo Amezaga, Isler Béguin, Iturgaiz Angulo, Jackson, Jäätteenmäki, Jałowiecki, Janowski, Járóka, Jarzembowski, Jegg, Jeleva, Jöns, Jonckheer, Jordan Cizelj, Kacin, Kaczmarek, Kallenbach, Karas, Karim, Kasoulides, Kaufmann, Kauppi, Kazak, Tunne Kelam, Kilroy-Silk, Kindermann, Kirilov, Kirkhope, Klamt, Klab, Klinz, Knapman, Koch, Kohlíček, Konrad, Koppa, Koterec, Kozlík, Krahmer, Krasts, Krehl, Kreissl-Dörfler, Krupa, Kuc, Kuhne, Kušis, Kusstatscher, Kuźmiuk, Lagendijk, Lambert, Lambrinidis, Lambsdorff, Lang, De Lange, Langen, Langendries, Laperrouze, La Russa, Lavarra, Lechner, Lehne, Lehtinen, Leichtfried, Leinen, Jean-Marie Le Pen, Le Rachinel, Lewandowski, Liberadzki, Libicki, Lienemann, Liese, Liotard, Locatelli, Louis, Lucas, Lulling, Luque Aguilar, Lynne, Lyubcheva, Maaten, McAvan, McCarthy, McGuinness, Madeira, Maldeikis, Erika Mann, Thomas Mann, Marinescu, Marini, Markov, Marques, Martens, David Martin, Hans-Peter Martin, Martinez, Masiel, Maštálka, Mathieu, Matsakis, Matsis, Matsouka, Mauro, Mavrommatis, Mayer, Medina

Ortega, Meijer, Méndez de Vigo, Menéndez del Valle, Meyer Pleite, Mikko, Mikolášik, Millán Mon, Mitchell, Mladenov, Moraes, Morgan, Morillon, Morin, Mote, Mulder, Musacchio, Muscardini, Myller, Napoletano, Nassauer, Nattrass, Nechifor, Neris, Newton Dunn, Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Nicholson, Nicholson of Winterbourne, Niebler, van Nistelrooij, Novak, Özdemir, Olbrycht, Ó Neachtain, Onesta, Oomen-Ruijten, Ortuondo Larrea, Ouzký, Oviir, Paasilinna, Pack, Pafilis, Pahor, Paleckis, Panayotopoulos-Cassiotou, Pannella, Papadimoulis, Papanizov, Papastamkos, Parish, Paşcu, Patriciello, Peillon, Pęk, Alojz Peterle, Petre, Pflüger, Piecyk, Pieper, Píks, Pinheiro, Piotrowski, Pirker, Piskorski, Pleguezuelos Aguilar, Pleštinská, Plumb, Podestà, Podimata, Podkański, Pöttering, Pohjamo, Poignant, Pomés Ruiz, Mihaela Popa, Nicolae Vlad Popa, Portas, Posdorf, Prets, Pribetich, Vittorio Prodi, Protasiewicz, Purvis, Queiró, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rack, Radwan, Raeva, Ransdorf, Rapkay, Rasmussen, Remek, Resetarits, Reul, Ribeiro e Castro, Riera Madurell, Ries, Riis-Jørgensen, Rivera, Rizzo, Rogalski, Roithová, Romagnoli, Roszkowski, Rothe, Rouček, Roure, Rovsing, Rübig, Rutowicz, Ryan, Sacconi, Saïfí, Sakalas, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Salinas García, Sánchez Presedo, dos Santos, Sanzarello, Sanz Palacio, Sârbu, Sartori, Saryusz-Wolski, Schaldemose, Schapira, Schenardi, Schierhuber, Schinas, Schlyter, Frithjof Schmidt, Olle Schmidt, Schmitt, Schnellhardt, Schöpflin, Jürgen Schröder, Schroedter, Schulz, Schuth, Schwab, Seeber, Segelström, Seppänen, Severin, Siekierski, Silva Peneda, Simpson, Sinnott, Siwiec, Skinner, Škottová, Sógor, Sommer, Søndergaard, Sonik, Sornosa Martínez, Sousa Pinto, Spautz, Speroni, Staes, Staniszevska, Starkevičiūtė, Stavreva, Stevenson, Stihler, Stockmann, Stolojan, Strejček, Strož, Sturdy, Sudre, Sumberg, Surján, Susta, Svensson, Swoboda, Szájer, Szejna, Szent-Iványi, Szymański, Tabajdi, Takkula, Tatarella, Thomsen, Thyssen, Țicău, Titley, Tomaszewska, Tomczak, Toubon, Toussas, Trakatellis, Trautmann, Triantaphyllides, Trüpel, Turmes, Tzampazi, Uca, Ulmer, Urutchev, Vakalis, Vălean, Vanhecke, Van Lancker, Van Orden, Varela Suanzes-Carpegna, Vaugrenard, Ventre, Vergnaud, Vernola, Vidal-Quadras, Virrankoski, Vlasák, Vlasto, Voggenhuber, Wagenknecht, Wallis, Walter, Henri Weber, Manfred Weber, Renate Weber, Weiler, Weisgerber, Westlund, Wieland, Wiersma, Wijkman, Willmott, Iuliu Winkler, Wise, von Wogau, Bernard Wojciechowski, Janusz Wojciechowski, Wortmann-Kool, Wurtz, Záborská, Zahradil, Zaleski, Zani, Zanicchi, Zapałowski, Zappalà, Zatloukal, Ždanoka, Zdravkova, Zieleniec, Zile, Zimmer, Zvěřina, Zwiefka