

RULES OF PROCEDURE

of the

EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary

Committee

Rule 1

The EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee is established on the basis of the European Parliament's resolution of 14 May 1965 and the resolutions of the Turkish National Assembly and the Turkish Senate, adopted respectively on 22 June and 14 July 1965, and on the basis of the decision of the EEC-Turkey Association Council of 27 July 1965.

The Committee shall consist, in equal numbers, of members appointed by the European Parliament and members appointed by the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

Any member of a delegation may arrange for his place to be taken at a meeting in accordance with the provisions of the respective rules of procedure of the European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

Rule 2

The task of the Committee shall be to consider questions concerning the application of the Association Agreement between the EEC and Turkey signed in Ankara on 12 September 1963.

It shall, in particular, be consulted on the annual report transmitted by the Association Council to the Presidents of the European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly. It may also be consulted by the European Parliament or by the Turkish Grand National Assembly on any other problem falling within its terms of reference.

Rule 3

The Bureau of the Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the delegation of the European Parliament, the Chairman of the delegation of the Turkish Grand National Assembly, and two vice-Chairmen of each delegation.

The term of office of the members of the delegations and that of the Bureau shall be determined by the provisions of the respective rules of procedure of the European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

The office of Chairman shall be filled by turns, from session to session, by the Chairman of the delegation of the Turkish Grand National Assembly. If the Chairman-in-office is unable to discharge his duties, he shall be replaced by the first or second vice-Chairman of his delegation.

## Rule 4

The Committee shall, in principle, meet three times a year. It shall be convened by the Chairman-in-office, after consulting the other Chairman.

The notice of the meeting shall include a draft agenda and shall normally be sent to members a fortnight in advance.

In principle, sessions shall be held by turns in Turkey and in one of the towns where the European Parliament or its organs meet.

## Rule 5

The meetings of the Committee shall not be held in public unless the Committee decides otherwise.

Members of the Association Council, Members of the Commission and of the Council of the European Communities, representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the Community and of Turkey and the representatives of the other institutions of the Communities as well as any person may, by special decision of the Committee, be invited to attend and speak at a meeting.

## Rule 6

The Committee may make recommendations to the European Parliament and to the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

The text of these recommendations shall have been approved by both a majority of the members of the delegation of the European Parliament and a majority of the members of the delegation of the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

The European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly shall take appropriate action on these recommendations in accordance with their respective rules of procedure.

## Rule 7

The secretariat of the Committee shall be provided by the secretariat of the European Parliament, in collaboration with officials appointed by the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

Minutes shall be drawn up for each session and submitted to the Committee for approval at the opening of the following meeting.

## Rule 8

The official languages of the Committee shall be Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, French, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese and Turkish.

## Rule 9

The travel expenses and subsistence allowances of Committee members and officials assisting them shall be paid by the Parliament that has appointed them.

Other expenses entailed by the meetings and activities of the Committee shall be apportioned between the European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly on a basis to be agreed between the Secretaries-General of the two institutions.

## Rule 10

These Rules of Procedure may be amended only by a decision of the Joint Parliamentary Committee; any amendments shall, however, be submitted for approval to the Bureau of the European Parliament and the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

(- approved by the Bureau of the European Parliament on 1 December 1966 :

- approved by the Bureau of the Turkish National Assembly and by the Bureau of the Turkish Senate on 10 April 1967.)

ANNEX TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE  
OF THE EEC-TURKEY JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE

Declaration by the Turkish delegation

The Turkish Grand National Assembly delegation to the Joint Parliamentary Committee shall draw up the annual programme of its activities in Turkey. It shall take decisions on the administrative and financial provisions necessary for implementation of the programme.  
The programme shall be forwarded in advance to the Bureau of the Joint Parliamentary Committee.