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on the proposal for a Council decision on the accession of the European Community to the Codex Alimentarius Commission
(COM(2001) 287 – C5-0310/2001 – 2001/0120(CNS))

Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy

Rapporteur: Caroline F. Jackson

Symbols for procedures

- * Consultation procedure
majority of the votes cast
- **I Cooperation procedure (first reading)
majority of the votes cast
- **II Cooperation procedure (second reading)
*majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend
the common position*
- *** Assent procedure
*majority of Parliament's component Members except in cases
covered by Articles 105, 107, 161 and 300 of the EC Treaty and
Article 7 of the EU Treaty*
- ***I Codecision procedure (first reading)
majority of the votes cast
- ***II Codecision procedure (second reading)
*majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend
the common position*
- ***III Codecision procedure (third reading)
majority of the votes cast, to approve the joint text

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the Commission)

Amendments to a legislative text

In amendments by Parliament, amended text is highlighted in ***bold italics***. Highlighting in *normal italics* is an indication for the relevant departments showing parts of the legislative text for which a correction is proposed, to assist preparation of the final text (for instance, obvious errors or omissions in a given language version). These suggested corrections are subject to the agreement of the departments concerned.

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PROCEDURAL PAGE

By letter of 27 June 2001 the Council consulted Parliament, pursuant to Article 37 and Article 300 (3), subparagraph 1 of the EC Treaty, on the proposal for a Council decision on the accession of the European Community to the Codex Alimentarius Commission (COM(2001) 287 - 2001/0120 (CNS)).

At the sitting of 5 July 2001 the President of Parliament announced that she had referred this proposal to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy as the committee responsible and the Committee on Legal Affairs and the Internal Market, the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy, the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development and the Committee on Development and Cooperation for their opinions (C5-0310/2001).

At its meeting of 8 October 2001 the committee decided to apply the procedure without report pursuant to Rule 158 (1).

Pursuant to Rule 114 (2), 37 Members opposed the application of the procedure without report for the proposal and this item was therefore referred back to the committee responsible on 22 October 2001.

The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy appointed Caroline F. Jackson rapporteur at its meeting of 11 July 2001.

The committee considered the Commission proposal and draft report at its meeting of 5 November 2001.

At the same meeting it adopted the draft legislative resolution unanimously.

The following were present for the vote: Caroline F. Jackson, chairman and rapporteur; Guido Sacconi, vice-chairman; Per-Arne Arvidsson, John Bowis, Chris Davies, Karl-Heinz Florenz, Cristina García-Orcoyen Tormo, Robert Goodwill, Bernd Lange, Rosemarie Müller, Riitta Myller, Karl Erik Olsson, Béatrice Patrie, Marit Paulsen, Frédérique Ries, Dagmar Roth-Behrendt, Giacomo Santini, Dirk Sterckx (for Jules Maaten), Kathleen Van Brempt (for Dorette Corbey), Phillip Whitehead.

The Committee on Legal Affairs and the Internal Market and the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development decided on 10 July 2001 not to deliver an opinion. The Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy decided on 28 August 2001 not to deliver an opinion. The Committee on Development and Cooperation decided on 13 September 2001 not to deliver an opinion.

The report was tabled on 7 November 2001.

The deadline for tabling amendments will be indicated in the draft agenda for the relevant part-session.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

Proposal for a Council decision on on the accession of the European Community to the Codex Alimentarius Commission (COM(2001) 287 – C5-0310/2001 – 2001/0120(CNS))

The proposal is approved.

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

European Parliament legislative resolution on the proposal for a Council decision on on the accession of the European Community to the Codex Alimentarius Commission (COM(2001) 287 – C5-0310/2001 – 2001/0120(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council (COM(2001) 287¹),
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 37 and Article 300 (3), subparagraph 1 of the EC Treaty (C5-0310/2001),
 - having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy (A5-0383/2001),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks to be consulted again should the Council intend to amend the Commission proposal substantially;
 4. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission.

¹ OJ not yet published.