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MINUTES

Meeting of 7 March 2019, 9.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 16.30

BRUSSELS

The meeting opened at 9.14 on Thursday, 7 March 2019, with Danuta Maria Hübner (Chair) presiding.

For legal reasons (right to privacy) those present were informed that the meeting would be filmed and streamlined live on the internet.

1. Adoption of agenda AFCO_OJ – PE636.230v01-00

The agenda was adopted without changes.

2. Chair's announcements

The Chair informed the Committee that Alain Lamassoure (EPP) is the rapporteur for the AFCO opinion to the BUDG report in relation to the Budget 2020.

3. Approval of minutes of meetings of

- 12 November 2018 PV – PE634.796v01-00
- 21 November 2018 PV – PE634.802v01-00
- 27 November 2018 PV – PE634.816v01-00

The minutes were approved.

Public hearing

4. Constitutionalism in the European Union and the constitutional interaction between the West and East of Europe

AFCO/8/15604

Presentations by the invited experts: Ms Anneli Albi (Professor of Law at Kent Law

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School), Mr Piero Graglia (Associate Professor on History of the International Relations at the School of Political, Economic and Social Sciences, Milan State University) and Mr Kálmán Pócza (Associate Professor at the Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest).

AFCO held a hearing on the Constitutionalism in the European Union and the constitutional interaction between the West and East of Europe, which looked into the following issues: types of constitutional cultures in the EU Member States, history of the constitutional process in Europe and judicial-legislative relations in different parts of the EU.

Besides the three experts, Professor Anneli Albi, Professor Piero Graglia and Professor Kálmán Pócza, the following Members took the floor, Danuta Maria Hübner (Chair), Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Helmut Scholz.

5. Rules of Procedure: outstanding issues

AFCO/8/15602

AFCO held a discussion on the following Rules of Procedure's outstanding issues: possible revision of Rule 227 (Amendment of the Rules of Procedure); interpretation of Rule 32 (5), second indent (Establishment and dissolution of political groups); and interpretation of Rule 171 (1) (b) (Voting procedure).

In addition to the Chair, Danuta Maria Hübner, the following Members took the floor: Richard Corbett, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Rainer Wieland, Max Andersson, Helmut Scholz.

In conclusion of the debate, AFCO adopted, based on Rule 226 (3), the following interpretation of Rule 171 (1) (b): *«If the proposal for a legally binding act, as amended or otherwise, does not secure a majority of the votes cast in committee, then the committee shall propose to Parliament that the act be rejected»*, which shall be announced at the opening of the next part-session.

6. Information on the conclusion of interinstitutional negotiations Non-binding criteria for the application of Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union

Co-negotiators: Richard Corbett and József Szájer

Richard Corbett reported on the course and the outcome of the negotiations of interinstitutional negotiations on non-binding criteria for delegated and implementing acts.

Chair Danuta Maria Hübner also took the floor.

7. In-depth analysis on "A Fiscal capacity for the Eurozone: Constitutional Perspectives"

AFCO/8/15603

Presentation by Mr Federico Fabbrini (Full Professor of European Law at the School of Law & Government of Dublin City University (DCU)) of the in-depth analysis commissioned by the Policy Department on Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs on "A Fiscal capacity for the Eurozone: Constitutional Perspectives".

AFCO heard Professor Federico Fabbrini, who presented conclusions of his in-depth analysis.

In addition to the Chair, Danuta Maria Hübner, and Professor Federico Fabbrini, the following Members took the floor: Rainer Wieland, Jo Leinen, Pedro Silva Pereira (2nd Vice-Chair).

The meeting adjourned at 12.14 and resumed at 15.07 with Danuta Maria Hübner (Chair) presiding.

8. The withdrawal of the UK from the European Union – state of play

AFCO/8/15553

AFCO held a debate with Guy Verhofstadt (Parliament's coordinator for the negotiations on the UK withdrawal from the EU) and Danuta Maria Hübner (Chair of AFCO and member of the Parliament's Brexit Steering Group), on the current developments concerning the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

In addition to the Chair, Danuta Maria Hübner, and Guy Verhofstadt, the following Members took the floor: Richard Corbett, Bill Etheridge, Helmut Scholz, Pedro Silva Pereira (2nd Vice-Chair), Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Mairead McGuinness.

9. Other business

None.

10. Date and place of next meeting

- 18 March 2019, 15.00 – 18.30 (Brussels)

The meeting closed at 16.33.

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